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CLAIMANTS FOR STATE CHAMPS

Team Organized by Mrs. Beamon Sets Standard for High School

ONE GAME IS LOST

Large Percentage of Points Won by One Player; Team Will Lose Good Players

Three years ago Vernonia high school organized their first girls basketball team with Mrs. Mae Beamon as coach. The girls practiced faithfully all during the season and were rewarded by winning every game but one, which was lost to Scappoose high school by one basket.

The second year only three of the former team returned, but it was not long until the girls filled the vacancies and the team made a better record than the previous year. Every game was won this term Mrs. Beamon coached the team for the first two years and we appreciate all she did in making such a success of the team.

This year Mrs. Beamon did not return and Miss Mirabel Goodin took her place as coach. Many changes were made in the team and after many weeks of hard practice they met the St. Helens girls team on the home floor. The game ended in a decided victory for Vernonia, the score being 46 to 4. Two weeks later the team journeyed to St. Helens, met and defeated them again with the score 20 to 13. March second they played Peninsula Park in Portland and defeated them 25 to 15. March 5 they played Westport high on Vernonia's floor defeating them 13 to 7. March 12 the team met Westport high at Westport and played for the Lower Columbia district championship. This was a hard won victory for us, the score being 8 to 5, the lowest score ever made by the girls team.

The first year the team won Columbia county championship and the second and third they won the lower Columbia district championship.

Mildred Bergerson and Lena Gibson, forward and jumping center, are the only two girls on the team who have played the three successive years.

Mildred Bergerson is high point forward, having to her credit 330 of the points won. The team has scored 448 points to their opponents 145 points. This score has been made in seventeen games. The girls challenge any team in the state for championship.

ST. PATRICK'S PARTY

Mrs. H. Dissmore and Mrs. C. H. Elliott entertained the members of the S. C. & H. club and their husbands at the Dissmore residence on Thursday evening, March 18, with a St. Patrick's party. Green shades on lamps, green candies with the luncheon served, carried a merry Irish spirit throughout the evening. Five hundred was played in the former part of the evening, Mrs. Boeck and Mr. Elliott winning first prize and Mr. and Mrs. Davis consolation. Old fashioned Irish games were sung and played until early morning hours. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. Hixon, Mr. and Mrs. D. Drorbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. H. Egelus, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Boeck, Mr. and Mrs. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. H. Dissmore.

Divorees are getting quite common, even in Vernonia, virtuous Vernonia. The latest divorce papers filed, according to rumor, create no little curb-stone talk and words of shame and pity, owing to the reputation of a well known man as co-respondent. The Eagle, unlike many sensational papers, and sticking to its past policies, refrains from commenting on various domestic troubles as spicy news matter.

A surprise party was given in honor of Claude Dunigan's sixth birthday, March 15th. Fifteen little folks attended and each brought him a gift. The children enjoyed Mrs. Dunigan's delicious dinner which she served for the occasion.

Completes New Home.

Walking over the streets of the east side of Vernonia last Sunday, we stopped at the beautiful, neat and new home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Repass, Mr. Repass is just completing the house and has built it strictly modern and a model for convenience. While there he showed us some of the relics gathered by them back in Virginia, including brick from an old Jamestown church built in 1607 and brick from the powder magazine of Captain John Smith and many other Indian relics.

The small advs. get results.

INSTALL ICE MACHINES

Local Confectionery Stores Will Make Own Ice

Electricity is wonderful. It heats and it freezes. This week the White Front Kandy Kitchen, by Mr. Keller, and Mr. Whittaker of the Cozy have each put in the new and large size cooling and freezing systems known as the "Frigidaire." It keeps everything cool even to the freezing point where desired. It enables them to keep ice cream without ice or salt or saw dust, it also enables them to handle all varieties and shapes, and from now on they can supply all demands in ices. The Frigidaire is indeed a wonderful invention and we don't understand the workings of it yet.

Vernonia to Have Ball Team

Delegates Meet in Clatskanie to Have Vernonia in League; Schedule Being Arranged.

Preparations for one of the best baseball teams in Vernonia's history are now under way. A meeting was held last week at which time it was decided to appoint Lester Sheeley business manager and Mr. Greenman, superintendent of the O. A. mill agreed to select a team manager. Several good men are under consideration for this position but at this date no definite appointment has been made. Mr. Greenman agreed to employ all men who played on the team at a minimum of \$4 per day at the mill plant and to do everything within his power to make the team a success. Several business men have pledged their moral and financial support to the club and are willing to assist in every way possible to put the team over. The manager has received numerous offers from professional and semi-professional players throughout the country to play on the team and a fast line up is assured.

Frank Lamb and Dave Marshall attended a meeting of club representatives from Astoria, Klama, Clatskanie, St. Helens, Ryderwood, Camas Washougal, Warrenton, held at Clatskanie March 23, which was called for the purpose of forming a league. According to representatives Vernonia is assured a place in the league.

Representatives of the clubs and composing the league will meet at St. Helens March 29, at which time the by-laws will be adopted and the schedule arranged. Vernonia team will play on the home lot every other Sunday and will have all of the holidays at home.

THREE ENTERED FOR MAY QUEEN ELECTION

Willamette University, Salem, March 20. Miss Myrtle Jensen, Salem; Miss Jessie Pybus, Wenatchee, Wash., and Miss Hazel Malmsten, Vernonia are nominees for May queen at Willamette university. At the regular election to be held shortly after spring vacation one of these will be chosen as queen and the other two will be the maids of honor.

The May day events at Willamette this year will be watched with real interest because of the charges made by petition last year that the May dances were of improper character. —Oregon Journal.

Wife and Property Lost.

M. J. Butler, Scappoose, not only lost his wife but his share of the home property, when Judge Fred W. Wilson of The Dalles, sitting for Judge Eakin, awarded the wife a divorce, though Butler was plaintiff in the case. Butler's side of the case came to an abrupt ending when Mrs. Butler's attorneys introduced love letters and valentines received by Butler from a Mrs. Widmer, Scappoose. Butler was ordered to deed his share of the Scappoose home to his wife and also to pay her attorneys a \$250 fee. Both have been married before.

The evening of March 20 was the scene of a birthday surprise party given in honor of Mrs. J. W. Brimmer. The evening was spent in music cards and games. At a late hour a lovely lunch was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kerrigan, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sipe, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Potter, Mrs. L. Sheeley and the host and hostess.

Mr. Wm. Culver and Mrs. Glenn Copenhaven spent Saturday and Sunday in Portland.

New Mail Route.

Better mail service is noticed in Vernonia, due to energy of our postmaster, since we are now getting a night mail besides our regular train arrival mail. We now get mail from Portland and St. Helens by stage at nine o'clock in the evening. Mail is also taken out between five and six p. m. by the same route.

SISTERS FORM; ORGANIZE LODGE

Officers Installed by Past Grand Chief; Over 100 are Present

LARGE LIST MEMBERS

Large Crowd From Home and Neighboring Cities Assist in Work; Big Day and Night.

Wednesday was Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sister's day in Vernonia. It was especially Pythian Sister day, but the members of the local K. P. lodge were so intensely interested that it was almost their day as well as the ladies. The organization of a Pythian Sisters lodge here was accomplished with great success. Fifty-one charter members signing up. The program lasted all afternoon and late into the night. At two o'clock the rolls were signed and the officers were elected and charter filled out. The presence of several state grand lodge officers was indeed appreciated.

St. Helens lodge, Pythian Sisters put on the work and they came to Vernonia about five o'clock strong. Then at six o'clock a big banquet was held at the grange hall for both men and women. The heavy laden tables were a beautiful sight to behold and seating room was at a premium.

After the banquet and beginning at 7:30 the men were initiated into the order and after these impressive ceremonies all turned in for an evening of good time. Speeches, music, dancing, social conversation and the making of new acquaintances. Visitors from Seaside and Astoria added to the pleasures of the day and as before mentioned it certainly was a big day and night for the K. P. members and the Pythian Sisters.

The officers of the new Pythian Sisters in Vernonia are as follows:

Past Chief, Georgia Smith; most excellent chief, Marjorie Cole; excellent senior, Adella Soden; excellent junior, Mildred Black; manager, Minnie Asplund; mistress of records and correspondence, Mrs. J. B. Wilkerson; mistress of finances, Mame Gilchrist; protector, Freda VanDorn; guard, Florence Repass.

STOP TO PAVING PROGRAM

Petitioners Unfavorable to Improvement of Nehalem Highway.

Columbia county folks will be interested in knowing that a protest against the policy of paving the Nehalem valley has been signed by 250 petitioners in Clatsop county and filed with that county court. The petition asks that the county discontinue paving the road and lay a macadam surface on the remaining 15 miles. The county court announces that the petition will have no effect upon its 1926 paving program. —St. Helens Sentinel.

County Judge John Phillip and County Engineer Hall were over from St. Helens this week. They are planning important improvements on the Rock Creek road near the cemetery.

A new store building, a new lodge hall, a new filling station and several new homes are being contracted for by Vernonia interested parties.

LOCAL C. OF C. TO REVIVE SOON

Vernonia Booster Club Gets Smell of Tree Blossoms and Awakes

BANQUET FOR REVIVAL

Every Citizen in the Valley Expected — Good Music and Prominent Speakers to be Present

The melodious music of the spring birds, the buzz of the busy bees in daily visits to the blooming flowers the deep base solos of the bull frog from the lowlands, the arrival of the first flies and the planting of gardens has not only given new life and pep to the populace, but it has roused that spirit of energy where one really wants to do something. The members of the once popular Vernonia Chamber of Commerce have been struck with the spirit and are going to reorganize on a larger scale. Let everybody join in the move. To start the ball rolling, as it were, a big banquet is announced. The biggest banquet of the year. A real banquet for everybody, men, women, business men, farmers, mill men, housewives, professional men and retired men. Everybody is invited. Incidentally the plates are going at one dollar per. And they are being grabbed. Vernonia needs this and it will be to the good of all. At the banquet which will be held on the first floor of the grange hall, next Wednesday night at 7 p. m. March 31st, we will also have plenty of entertainment between bites. Prominent speakers will be present from Portland, and their message will be more stimulating and more peppy than any spring tonic, and the committee also promises us music, both instrumental and vocal, talks and a general get-together. Remember it is next Wednesday night and make it a point to be among those present. You will go home feeling like a new being, and you will like Vernonia better. If we all like Vernonia better we will have a better Vernonia.

Many people have moved to Columbia county since the last registration, October of last year, and it is thought that this year's registration will show a large increase over 1925 when it totaled 5,160 and was divided as follows:

NEW FLOOR IS LAID

Grange Hall Undergoes Complete Change on First Floor

The lower floor of the grange hall has recently underwent marvelous changes for the better in appearance convenience and room. The floor has been shaved, varnished and waxed. Also the windows remodeled and large atermooms built on in front. The local Klan lodge has rented the lower hall we understand for a term of years and expect to subrent it for private parties, dances, etc. The Christian church will use the newly finished room for church services until they have built their new planned tabernacle. It is a good hall with probably the best floor in town.

Voters Slow to Register

Books Close April 20; Clerk Appoints Assistant Registrars in Several Sections of County

Although the primary election is only sixty days away and the registration books close 30 days before election or on Tuesday, April 20, voters of Columbia county are in no hurry to register, according to County Clerk J. W. Hunt who states that not more than 30 to 40 have registered at his office in the court house.

To make it convenient for the voters to register before the registration books close, Mr. Hunt has appointed the following assistant registrars: Scappoose, J. G. Watts; Goble, R. L. Kenney; Rainier, N. M. Blumensadt; Clatskanie, Geo. Conyers; Mist, R. A. Melis and Vernonia, the city recorder, D. B. Reasner. The registration of voters in the St. Helens precincts, Warren, Yankton, Columbia City, Deer Island, and other nearby precincts, will be taken care of at the clerk's office.

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	Male	Female	Total
Republican	2390	1205	3595
Democrat	780	440	1220
Prohibition	12	13	25
Socialist	48	19	67
Misc. (which includes Progressive Non-Partisan, Ind etc)	172	61	233
Total	3402	1758	5160

OUTDOOR CONSTRUCTION GETTING GOOD START

Portland, March 22.—Increased numbers of calls for construction workers at nearly all hiring points in western Oregon and Washington indicate that this work is getting under way for the season, according to the 4L employment letter issued here today. Logging and lumber manufacturing in the fir districts are operating with low turnover of labor at the present time. Farmers are well along with spring work.

Employment conditions in the pine districts just east of the Cascades are steadily improving, the 4L letter said. Most of the larger sawmills there have started the season's cut, and many operations, as usual at this time of year, have put on night shifts. All kinds of skilled labor is reported to be well employed.

The influx of workers from the east, which began early this month, is increasing and "skidroad" districts of the larger cities in the Northwest continue to show quite large numbers of unemployed men, mostly unskilled laborers.

Copper miners are being hired for Alaskan points and the first crew will leave for the north during the present week. Northern fishing concerns are signing up men for the season. Fishermen and cannery workers will not leave before another week or two.

A marriage license was issued recently at Vancouver to Walter O. Schaum, legal of Westport, Or., and Mrs. Emma Lynch, legal, Scappoose, Or.

J. P. McDonald and Bruce McDonald were in Portland last Saturday, where Bruce underwent a surgical operation.

Paving Bids to be Opened.

Bids for the paving of one mile of the Nehalem highway will be opened by the Clatsop county court at 1:30 p. m. on the afternoon of April 2. The pavement, which is to be concrete, will commence at a point 900 feet this side of the Glaser bridge over the Klatskanine river and will extend up the Glaser hill. The pavement will be 16 feet wide and 6.5 inches thick.—Chief.

COLLEGETOOPEN IN CITY SOON

New Plan College to be Located Here; Low as Well as High to Benefit

DESK FACTORY HERE

College People Now Establishing a New Manufacturing Plant for our City; to Turn out a New Desk

Prof. W. W. Williams of Portland has been here for two weeks investigating Vernonia as a suitable place to establish the first of a series of "Peoples Colleges" and to establish a manufacturing plant to manufacture patent desks for commercial students and for small business.

His investigations have convinced him that Vernonia is a good place to establish a college for working people and several have already enrolled. It is Mr. Wilkerson's plan to take education to the people rather than to take people from their work to large cities to obtain an education. A careful investigation has shown that there are 2000 people within 25 miles of Vernonia who need this training.

An option is now being secured on the Stankey woodworking plant to turn out the patent desk and to give practical training in wood working, architectural work and allied practiced arts.

Mr. Williams has opened office at the Vernonia hotel and can be seen there most of the day.

He also says that new equipment will be installed in plant and additions made soon.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS NOTES

Vernonia Camp Fire Girls go to Portland Council.

The Camp Fire Girl's 14th birthday celebration was closed Saturday March 20, with a grand council fire at the Elks temple in Portland, various groups from Portland and vicinity participating.

Vernonia was represented by the Lo-Li-La group and their guardian Miss Bessie McDonald and the Tatapochon group and guardian and guardian Miss Thelma Olson. The Lo-Li-La group were admitted into the camp fire organization as new members at that time, while four members of the Tatapochon group, Merle Mills, Olive Olson, Thelma Spencer and Betty Culver received the rank of "Woodgatherer" the first rank to be attained by a camp fire girl.

Much Pyrotol Used Here.

With the arrival of a fresh shipment of pyrotol, ordered by County Agent George Nelson recently, which is expected within a few days, the total amount of this explosive used by Columbia county farmers since last September in ridding their arable lands of stumps, will be approximately 141,250 pounds, 46,000 pounds having been employed by the county in road work. The explosive is obtained from the government at actual cost, which is about \$7 per hundred pounds, including transportation charges. It is sold here at a slight additional cost in order to defray the expense of handling it locally.—St. Helens Sentinel.

EASTER

The yearly miracle of spring,
Of budding bough and greening sod—
It is less wonderful to view
Than is the Risen Son of God?
What man can call the flower forth
Or bid the buried seed spring up?
Can free the prisoned butterfly
Or paint the golden crocus cup?

No more than he could think or dream
That God could die, that man could rise!
The selfsame power that calls the seed
Out of the darkness where it lies.

Could call the Christ from out the grave,
O ignorant and foolish men
Who watch the miracle of spring,
Yet doubt that Jesus rose again!
—Youth's Companion.

Former Editor Visits.

David Davis, of the Timberman, published in Portland, with J. B. Olson, advertising manager of that publication were Vernonia visitors last Monday. Mr. Davis, some thirty years ago lived in Vernonia and edited a paper here—the old Nehalem Journal.

Has your subscription expired.

Out of a Job

