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## KNIGHTS HOLD CONVENTION

Deputy District Chancellor Elected for Year.

## SPEECHES GIVEN

Largest Crowd in History of Local Fraternals Present; Sisters Are Guests of Knights.

Monday night, last, will long be remembered among members of the Knights of Pythias, as well as the wives of the members and a few visitors who were lucky enough to witness the program and big "Doings" at the K. P. district convention in Vernonia that night. The lower and upper floors of the grange hall was more than crowded.

Visitors showed names from San Francisco, Baker, Tillamook, Portland, Longview, besides thirty-six Knights from St. Helens and Rainier. The fore part of the evening was occupied by lodge session and work in the second degree and later the turning over of the program to the District Deputy Grand Chancellor P. M. Roush of Rainier. During the convention session some splendid speeches were made by Mr. Roush, Mr. Leslie Crouch, who is the supreme representative of the order by J. Berwick of Tillamook, who is past grand chancellor and by Mr. Hickerson of Tillamook—these talks are without doubt, the most inspiring and interesting ever listened to by a Vernonia audience. The convention then by unanimous vote poured honors on the Vernonia lodge by the naming of our Chancellor Commander L. R. Gilchrist, as the next deputy district grand chancellor an honor indeed when Vernonia's Harding Lodge, Knights of Pythias No. 116 is the youngest in the county and only three younger in the state.

Then a program of splendid music by the Vernonia high school orchestra. This orchestra played several selections. The members are composed of Miss Amy Hughes, Charles Hoffman, Elmer Olson, Thor Roberts and Alvin Olson and the organization is known as the "Revellers."

The audience was then highly entertained with violin solos by Mrs. Shinn, accompanied by Mrs. Johns at the piano. The numbers were repeatedly encouraged.

All this time an immense banquet was being prepared up stairs and near midnight all repaired to the dining room where four big tables were loaded with splendid eats, with over one hundred people partaking in the supper. It was a big night and will never be forgotten in Vernonia.

## VISIT AT ST. HELENS

Sisters of River City Will be Host to District Convention.

The Pythian Sisters of Columbia county will hold a district convention in St. Helens this coming Saturday. A degree team from Portland will put on drills and degree work. It is expected that a good number from Vernonia can go over. A good time is assured. From reports the convention will start in the afternoon at the K. P. hall and a dinner will be served at the Congregational church at 6 that evening with an open meeting that night in the city hall to which everyone is invited.

## IMPORTANT

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Several from the Vernonia high school went to Seaside last Saturday for the track meet and the formal opening of the beach, with Vernonia May Queen in attendance and Vernonia boys participating in the athletic events.

## GRAND OFFICERS PAY VISIT TO NEHALEM CHAPTER O. E. S.

Nehalem chapter No. 153, order of the Eastern Star, Vernonia, was host on May 5th, to Caroline Lewis, worthy grand matron of Oregon, who at this time made her annual official visitation. Mrs. Lewis was accompanied by Mr. Daniel O. Webster, worthy grand patron; Amy K. Webster, worthy grand marshal; Mrs. C. Williams, grand representative of Manitoba, and other visitors.

A school of instruction was held at 2 p. m. followed with a dinner at 6 o'clock, served by the members of Nehalem chapter for the grand officers, visitors and members. A great many visitors were in attendance, several coming from Kelso, Longview and Rainier.

At the evening session the initiatory ceremonies were exemplified by the officers of Nehalem chapter, in a very creditable manner, after which they were favored with a number of helpful, inspiring speeches by the grand lodge officers. The address of the Worthy Grand Matron, whose kindly nature and considerate manner inspired all to nobler deeds, was in deed well received. In closing, the worthy grand matron was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses from the local chapter by Maude Spase, past worthy matron.

The present officers of Nehalem Chapter No. 153, are: Alice Gooding, worthy matron; Wm. H. Folger, worthy patron; Bessie Tapp, associate matron; Catherine McNeil, conductress; Fern Kullander, associate conductress; Mae Bergman, secretary; Gladys Ruhl, treasurer; Olga E. Grunden, chaplain; Maude Spase, marshal; Perry Browning, sentinel; Ramone Lindley Adah; Carina Childs, Ruth; Freda Folger, Esther; Bessie Wahlander, Martha, Anne Wilson, Electa; Pearl Ran, Warder; Oril Robinson, organist.

## FISTIC FIGHTS PLEASE

Large Crowd Is Present to Witness Successful Matches Given.

If you missed the fistic opera this Tuesday night at the Rose theatre you have missed the time of your life. There was more fun than a barrel of monkeys from start to finish. The old show house was packed to capacity and there was no room for those that arrived late. And what a time everybody had. From now on its going to be better, so make up your mind that you will be one of the early birds next time. It is remarkable how the ladies have turned out to review this game of self defense. Half the large crowd consisted of the fair sex, who had the time of their lives while it lasted. When the next card is given bring the wife, mother or sweetheart and enjoy a good time.

The first gong sounded at 8:30 sending young Brady and Raymer to the center of the ring. They fought two slashing fast rounds, ending in a draw.

The next go was between Fred Endicott of Astoria and Spider Tooley of Portland, who substituted for young Manuel of Vernonia. Tooley was completely outclassed, never landing a blow and in less than a minute of fighting was sent to the canvas twice and counted out.

The next bout was between Slim Graham of Vernonia and Jimmy Dugan of St. Helens. This was fast from the start. Both boxers going about even for three rounds. The fourth frame was disastrous for Jimmy. Graham put over a shower of blows and completely dounded the boy from St. Helens. He quit.

The fourth go, six rounds, "Butch Long of the Vernonia meat market versus Young Miller of Wilark. First two rounds was full of ups and downs for both men and could have been called even. At the opening of the third round Long rushed Miller to the ropes and with a hook to the jaw sent the young logger from Wilark down for the count.

The main event was supposed to be eight rounds, between "Cluck" Rennett of Vernonia and Bill Griffith of Columbia City. Griffith had it over Bennett like a circus tent, being to fast and shifty, causing Bennett to miss blow after blow. Griffith's well aimed punches landed hard and often upon Bennett, who made more nose dives to the canvas than Uncle Sam's favorite submarine did in battle practice. Griffith just gave Bennett a boxing lesson for a few rounds and then to satisfy himself, knocked "Cluck" for a row of jello battle ships.

## LINCOLN SCHOOL



A late picture of the new Lincoln school house in Vernonia. The Washington school with double the number of rooms is not shown for the want of a photograph.

## PUBLIC GRADE SCHOOL INFORMATION WANTED

Forty-Three Eighth Graders Will Graduate This Term.

The Vernonia public grade schools will close May 24th after having had an enrollment of five hundred and fifty-eight pupils for the school year of 1925-26. At the time of closing there are four hundred and forty-eight pupils remaining in the school in regular attendance.

In the spring of 1923 school closed after having had an enrollment of about 150 pupils. During the year ending 1924 there was an enrollment of 410. The year 1924-25 had an enrollment of 547 and 1925-26 has had enrolled 558 during the school year. This shows the more rapid growth of Vernonia has passed and although there are many moving to and from Vernonia the average enrollment during the year has been quite regular.

Graduation Class Large. In 1924 there were 34 graduating from the eighth grade, 1925 had 37, while in May and June there are 43 pupils to write on the state eighth grade examinations.

Two years ago there were nine teachers employed while last year there were thirteen and this year fifteen teachers will be employed.

Parent-Teachers. The Vernonia Parent-Teachers association has been busy during the year in school interests. Five sets of supplementary readers have been given to the grade schools, a drinking fountain installed at the Washington school, and the high school was supplied with equipment for a rest room and several dictionaries. In all the equipment amounted to about \$170.

Install Tennis Courts. The tennis courts are in use at the Washington school during the early morning and evenings. These courts were fixed up for the people of the community as well as for the schools of Vernonia. It is hoped that all may use them and all may receive some benefit from them. Play two sets and then if any are waiting to play kindly give them the privilege of the courts.

## COUNTY TAX OFFICE IS SNOWED UNDER

Last Minute Rush Fills Tax Office to Overflowing on Receipts.

A communication to The Eagle from the sheriff's office at St. Helens states that the office was snowed under with a last minute rush of mail and that they will be unable to work all the mail received before the 25th. If people will wait until that time to write in inquiring about their receipts, they will be saved that additional trouble and expense answering letters.

After that date they will be very pleased to hear from any taxpayer who has failed to receive word of his remittance.

## Mother's Day.

Miss McDonald, guardian of the Lo-Li-La campfire girls, took some money out of the treasurer and bought a carnation for each of the girls mother. The girls gave the carnations to their mother on Mother's day. This was appreciated very much by each of the mothers.

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## ASSOCIATION HAS REVIEW RALLY

Grand Lodge Officers and Visitors of County Reviews Hold Large Meeting Here

The Columbia district rally of the Woman's Benefit association was held in Vernonia last Friday. The program for the day and night went as published, without a hitch and the event was the best and most successful of its kind ever held in the county.

The streets were full of women all day, delegates from the various lodges of the county. Scappoose had the largest number of delegates, two large stages of women coming from that highway town.

The big banquet at night was served at the Betty Jane restaurant and the large room was crowded to capacity. It was late into the night before the convention finished their sessions and social events and all went away with words of praise for the entertainment and features shown the visitors. The Vernonia lodge of the Woman's Benefit association did themselves proud.

## SENIOR PLAY SUCCESS

Class of '26 Draws Packed House and Realize Tidy Sum

The high school play "Why Smith Left Home," was given by the senior class last Thursday and Friday nights. As usual to Vernonia high school students, they carried off many words of praise and glad comments for the excellent way they handled their respective parts on the program. The play drew a good house each night and the students realized a tidy sum from the admission sales.

## LEGION BOYS VISIT AT OREGON CITY

Show Right Spirit in Helping Post to Regain its Feet.

To show the right spirit in the bonds of understanding, and to show pride in one another about fifteen members of the local American Legion post went into Oregon City Monday night to help posts of other cities to liven the post there which has for some time been behind to help it regain its footing. The post has been on the decline for the past two years, but by the spirit shown there this week it will soon rival the largest posts of the state. A nice program was given by visiting posts with several excellent speeches. Among those present were the Portland drum corps, the Salem and McMinnville drum corps and a Scotch band.

## LIGHTS GO OUT

Knights of Pythias Visitors in Accident Enroute Home.

Editor A. E. Veatch of the Rainier Review and E. M. Young, jeweler of Rainier, were in what might have proved a serious auto accident while on their way home from the K. P. convention here Monday night.

The lights on the Ford coupe which was being driven by Mr. Veatch, failed when at the foot of the Mist-Clatskanie hill. As it was impossible to turn around, the two Knights decided to climb the mountain in the dark. When about two-thirds the way up the hill the lights suddenly came on and the party happily proceeded on their way. Just after passing Beaver Falls while they were driving about 25 miles an hour the lights again suddenly failed and before the machine could be stopped it left the highway and turned over on its side. The car was entirely enclosed and it was some time before the two occupants were able to get out. Mr. Young escaped without a scratch but Mr. Veatch was not so fortunate, he suffering severe bruises on the abdomen from coming in contact with the steering wheel. Injuries to the car were minor.

## Gypsy Hike.

The Lo-Li-La campfire girls went on a hike Wednesday, April 28, after school, this being called the gypsy hike and the girls all dressed like gypsies and went out to Coon creek where they had a delightful supper and a business meeting. The girls had a short program and then returned home, tired but happy.

## DUCKS WIN SUNDAY GAME

Portland Team Loses by Good Margin

## RYDERWOOD NEXT

Clatskanie Fails to Make Appearance

On Account of Rain Last Week

Fast Game All Around.

By EAGLE SPORT EDITOR

Vernonia's Hero Today.

Is Mr. Morgan, Esq., who cultivates the short patch for the ducks and knows how to do a good job of it. He is one of the three S type of ball players, silent, swift and sure. The game was tied in the last half of the eighth, Hudson singled, Turk layed down a hot grounder and was pegged out at first advancing Hudson to second, Morgan came to bat, drove out a two begger scoring Hudson. Morgan scored when L Turk smashed into left field fence for a double. Morgan was at bat four times. He walked once, singled once and got two doubles. Nice stuff MORGIE see ya next Sunday.

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Vernonia	4	11	3
Marcell All Stars	2	9	2
Battery, Tolke, Hudson—Bola, Bellmar and Schaffer.			
Umpires Nance, Tisdale.			

The regular league game between Vernonia and Clatskanie was called off late Saturday night, when it was feared that the weather would not permit a game here. Due to being nice and clear that morning, Manager Brown decided to get one of the Portland teams to play here. The Marcell All Stars were chosen. It was a good game and a real battle from the start and the visitors were handed a 4 to 2 lacing by the Vernonia ducks.

Tolke should have had a shut out but Bellmer fied out to short and Morgan and Turk both going after the ball collided causing two runs to cross the plate.

Somebody brought in the old steam roller from Banks and the way he rolled over them boys from Portland was any thing but slow. Tolke had that fast ball of his dancing to his music and believe us it did every thing for him but sing. The more Tolke pitched, the more speed he had and toward the last of the game he almost made that old apple vanish. Umpire Nance was hit over the heart with a pitched ball by Bola but soon recovered, had Tolke been pitching Nance's umpiring days would have been over. Tolke fanned eight. Walked one. Schaffer fanned one. Bola two. Vernonia has a hard hitting team, and all fast ball players. Thanks to Manager Brown he found the weak spots and went out and strengthened them, with the Turk brothers, Norwest and Tolke in the lineup Vernonia will be a winner. Both the Turk boys are clever ball players and it is murder to any pitcher who faces them. Just watch these boys go. Chief Norwest has proven he is a real second baseman he is all over the field grabbing those hot ones with either hand and never missing. And he swings a wicked willow.

Norwest at third made two errors for Vernonia, that is nothing, a fast man always makes errors. He stopped lots of hot ones saving the game at times, and oh boy, what a wallop when he swings the bamboo. He poled a two bagger off Schaffer the first thing.

Hudson, our catcher, they make them no better than he. Hudson stopped everything that came his way. It was Hudson's great catching at St. Helens that kept the score from being doubled. Brown at first has been handicapped by a bum ankle but he is showing up well. It will only be a matter of time until he will be going strong.

Kotula was held out as a relief pitcher and was sent in to the game to take Brown's place when he hurt himself sliding to second. Kotula is the most valuable man on the team, because he can play any position and

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