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## FIRST FOOTBALL GAME IS WON

Vernonia High School Wins  
Easily, 51 to 6.

## TO PLAY RAINIER NEXT

Seniors Observe Annual  
Skip Day With Picnic  
At Forest Grove

Vernonia union high school was an easy victor over Knappa high school in football here Saturday, winning 51 to 6.

The aggressiveness and added weight of the Vernonia team was largely responsible for the victory. Both teams were not in the best of form, and a hot afternoon slowed up the game.

Most of the yardage was made on line bucks, although a number of forward passes were completed for big gains. Three forward passes resulted in touchdowns.

Bennet and Hawkins starred for Vernonia.

Tomorrow afternoon the local boys are expecting a hard game, when the Rainier union high school team will play here. Rainier won the league championship last year, but lost some of their best players by graduation.

A preliminary to the game will be played by the grammar schools of start at 1 o'clock.

Rainier and Vernonia. This will

### Seniors Observe Skip Day.

The senior class was absent from school all day Tuesday. Owing to the lack of their skip day last term they took it this term. Coach Austin chaperoned them.

The class went in five cars to Forest Grove, where they played games and ate their lunch in the auto camp there. Friends in Forest Grove were visited and the campus inspected by many of the visitors.

Alice Rundle became ill Monday afternoon and required the services of a physician.

Lavelle Gosa was reported to be very ill Monday. She has had a nervous breakdown.

## Dreams and Action

## The Man With Three Names

By HAROLD MACGRATH

Most men are dreamers, more or less, but some have the ability to translate their dreams into action. These are the ones who achieve. Here is the highly interesting tale of a dreamer who saw immense practicality behind his visions and proceeded to put it into effect. One of his methods was to make enemies where prudence would have dictated the making of friends. Mad, impractical, worse than tilting at windmills it seemed, but note the results.

Read It as a Serial in

THE EAGLE  
Starting Today

## LARGE APPLES ARE GROWN IN NEHALEM

Albert Wood, Nehalem valley farmer, who lives at an altitude of about 875 feet, two and one-half miles from Vernonia, brought a number of large King and Northern Spy apples to the Eagle Monday to show what could be raised in this district without much effort, in the apple line.

One of the largest Kings measures 13 inches in diameter. Few blemishes or evidence of disease appear on any of the apples in Mr. Wood's orchard, he says. No irrigation is used and he has not sprayed the fruit this year.

It appears that the Nehalem is free from most of the pests which are common to many of the old apple districts. This reduces the overhead cost of growing the fruit, in eliminating the cost of much of the spraying. Twice a year is estimated to be all that is necessary to spray here, while some districts must spray seven times.

## Moss On Trees Killed By Bordeaux Mix Spray

There is no reason why fruit trees and shrubbery should suffer from an unsightly coating of moss and lichens. Tests conducted by the Oregon experiment station have shown that if the right material is used a single spray given in the fall of the year will prevent the growth of these whiskery plants not only during the wet fall and winter seasons following the spray but also for several successive years. The material which will do this is bordeaux mixture used in the 6-6-50 strength. A very thorough application is necessary so that any growth already present will be thoroughly saturated down to the bark of the tree.

Other materials will remove moss lichens but they do not prevent them from returning after a short period. Bordeaux mixture will not cause old moss and lichens to shrivel up and drop off at once but it will destroy their life and prevent them from coming back for a long time after the weather has caused them to disintegrate.

## Reclamation Congress To Meet At Hood River

Hood River valley will be host October 14, 15, and 16 to the sixteenth annual session of the Oregon Reclamation congress. An unusual program of important subjects for consideration has been arranged for this meeting, according to W. L. Powers, secretary of the congress and head of the soils department at O. A. C.

Revision of the irrigation district law to provide for refinancing to safeguard settlers and investors will be an important feature of the session.

Every irrigation district in Oregon is being asked to have representatives present to aid in drawing up the revised law for introduction at the coming session of the legislature.

National authorities are being brought to the convention to discuss such subjects as irrigation economics, land utilization, and selection and financing of settlers. Among these will be Dr. Richard T. Ely in charge of the national bureau of research in land economics and public utilities.

### RAY L. MILLS

Ray L. Mills, Nehalem valley pioneer died at his home in Vernonia Tuesday. He had been suffering with tuberculosis.

Ray L. Mills was born May 15, 1884, in Chickasaw county, Iowa. When a small boy he came to Vernonia with his parents. He was married January 5, 1910, to Miss Minnie Shobert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shubert of Ridgefield, Wash. mother, Mrs. Ellen Mills...98u

The surviving relatives are his mother, Mrs. Ellen Mills, the widow, Minnie Mills, one son Raymond, one sister, Mrs. Wm. Mellinger of St. Helens; four brothers, Guy, Bert, Clive of this city, and Emery of Pomona, California.

The funeral was held at 2:00 p.m. yesterday. Interment was in the Vernonia cemetery.

### Driving While Intoxicated.

A. Bennett was arrested by Marshal Kelly Tuesday night and charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He was sentenced by Justice Weed to 60 days in the county jail and a fine of \$150. His driver's license was suspended for one year.

## INTERESTING LETTER TO GOVERNOR PIERCE

Honorable Walter M. Pierce,  
Governor of Oregon,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request the undersigned, comprising a committee named by you under date of February 20, 1926, for the purpose of making a further survey and report upon conditions at the Oregon State Prison, herewith submit our report covering same.

We regret that this report has been so long delayed following your initial request for same. This delay on our part has been unavoidable due to the absence of one member of the committee for a period of more than three months under military orders at Fort Leavenworth and to the later absence of the other member in connection with his duties as a member of the United States Shipping Board. The survey upon which our report is based was made during the month of July and early in August of the present year.

Our initial report of August 24, 1925, following the prison break of that month brought attention to certain physical changes that were needed in the prison to make it more secure.

We find that these defects have been substantially corrected. A guard tower has been established over the main entrance and now controls the main gate. Excitance of this guard tower, in our opinion, not only gives adequate control of the west grounds of the prison but circumvents the likelihood of an escape in that direction. We find that the arsenal has also been removed from the turnkey's office to this tower and is secured as to overcome the possibility of fire arms falling in the hands of prisoners from the prison arsenal. The present location of this arsenal also makes it possible for guns and ammunition to be given to unarmed guards reporting from the guards' quarters, which are located outside of the prison grounds. It is further believed that this arrangement eliminates the necessity of a steel covering over the roof of the cell houses.

It is noted that the oak trees in the west prison yard which might offer concealment and interference with the field of fire from the main guard tower in the event of escape, have been cut down as we recommended in our report of a year ago.

It is also noted that the walls surrounding the main prison enclosure have been equipped with barbed wire entangled to a height of five feet above the wall and that the guard towers have been equipped with machine guns to prevent the possibility of an organized break from the main prison yard. It is noted that the vacant guard tower at the southwest corner has been sealed up in such a way that it no longer admits of access from the outside. It is noted further that the wooden plank in the east yard, commonly known as the "dog pen," has been destroyed. It is further noted that better protection has been given to the flax plant east and outside of the prison wall and the possibility of incendiary fire reduced to a minimum.

There was immediately apparent to your committee a more substantial type of prison personnel and better spirit prevailing in the prison among the employees thereof. Guards appeared to know their duties, were and the Warden advised us that frequent conferences are held for the purpose of discussing the duties of guards and other employees, not only in their work of taking care of the prisoners, but in event of a possible break or other demonstration.

While no system of alarm was in effect at this time as previously recommended, Warden Lillie advised us that he was having a siren manufactured by a firm in Dallas which shortly would be installed. This siren, we were informed, has a sounding radius of ten miles and as soon as it is installed, its signal will be communicated to the public.

The turnkey's office has been so equipped and arranged that the likelihood of prisoners breaking in there and overcoming the turnkey are practically eliminated.

Discipline among prisoners was noticeably improved. There were no evidence of prisoners lounging about in idle discussion, nor were there any card games or lounging places.

## PRIZES WON AT STATE FAIR

Late reports of some of the awards at the state fair at Salem indicated that Columbia county is making a good showing this year, according to Geo. A. Nelson, county agent.

Although the first prize for the boys and girls stock judging team was awarded to Multnomah county, Columbia county ranked far above the average.

Than Brown of Yankton is reported to have annexed six first prizes and three second prizes on his Chester White hogs. He was also awarded one grand championship. He also won first prizes on his Burbank and Early Rose potatoes.

Dr. Canfield of Goble won three firsts, two seconds and one grand championship on his Shorthorn cattle.

Dr. E. L. Lane of Scappoose won two firsts, three seconds and two grand championships on his Dubian goats.

Van Wright of Marshland won a first prize on sweet corn.

Jim Tatro of Marshland won first prize on a box of tomatoes. Escher Pennington of Marshland won first prize on comb honey. A. Mortensen of Clatskanie won second prize on strained honey.

H. E. Graham of Marshland won first, second and third on his cattle and third on breeder's herd.

Mr. Magruder of Clatskanie won two thirds and a fifth on his Guernsey cattle.

Warden Lilly informed us that this practice, under his administration, has been done away with entirely. We saw no evidence of fraternizing between employees and prisoners nor of any of the conditions pointed out in the preceding report. We found the more serious and desperate prisoners separated, as recommended in the report of a year ago, and placed in distinctive uniforms so that they could be picked out readily.

Large forces of prisoners were found to be at work in an organized and diligent way. The largest number were working in connection with the flax industry and this showed a very business-like and thorough supervision on a large scale.

It was apparent to us that a great deal had been accomplished at small expense in the way of improvised installations for making electric power, treatment and delivery of flax fiber and other projects, manufacture of shoes for use of the prisoners, manufacture of clothes, including uniforms with which the guards have now been equipped, and a number of other minor activities. Of the 561 prisoners, a total of 537 were found to be employed in the several activities noted herein. We have not attempted to analyze the scope of the industries, their earnings, etc., inasmuch as these were not covered by our initial report.

The attitude of disrespect of prisoners for the authority of guards appeared to have been replaced by a wholesome feeling of discipline among the prisoners. It is believed that this attitude was brought about largely by the disturbance occurring some months ago in the mess hall when a prison riot was put down promptly and effectively by Warden Lilly, his assistants and guards. His method of handling that break was not such an to invite its recurrence. We found no evidence of lack of harmony. Friction among prison officials, so conspicuous a year ago, appeared to have been replaced by a feeling of cooperation.

It is our conclusion from a survey of the prison during July, with the final visit made during August, that the details and spirit of our report of August 24, 1925, have been fully and adequately carried out and that conditions in the penitentiary as to the proper employment of prison labor and the matter of discipline among the prisoners and attention to duty on the part of the guards, have been properly corrected.

We feel that Warden Lilly is entitled to special commendation for the way in which he has carried out his duties as Warden during the past year; and that Mr. John Quinland, Superintendent of Industries, is entitled to consideration for his organization and direction of prison employment.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed) Jefferson Meyers  
(Signed) George A. White

## "LEAP METER" IS NEW INVENTION

University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, Sept. 27 (Special). A man's general physical condition can be determined pretty accurately by his jumping ability, according to a publication of gymnasium test records just issued by Dean John F. Bovard and Frank W. Cozens of the school of physical education faculty.

The motor ability of students in the gymnasium classes is being gauged by a "leap meter," an invention of professor Sargent of Harvard. Evidence presented by Dr. Martin of Stanford, showing that the strength of any one set of body muscles indicates the muscular condition throughout, is another factor used in compiling the material.

The student is asked to jump as many times and as high as he can in fifteen seconds. One of the oddest facts revealed by evidence of the compilation was that there is no relation between a man's height and his jumping ability, so that the short man suffers no handicap in this respect, according to Dean Bovard.

## ALIENS MUST PASS AN ENGLISH TEST

University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore. Sept. 27 (Special). A motion to require applicants for admission to the University of Oregon, applying from non-English speaking communities, to pass an English examination is being considered by the committee on academic requirements, according to a statement made today.

The purpose of this examination will be to determine the ability of the applicant to use and understand the English language sufficiently to enable him to do satisfactory work the committee stated.

## TRAIN CHANGES EAST- BOUND SCHEDULE

A change in the schedule of the eastbound train will become effective Sunday, October 3, when the train will leave Keasey at 12:40 p. m., arrive in Vernonia at 1:05 and arrive in Portland at 3:20.

The local postoffice announces that starting Sunday, mail will be dispatched at 12:30 for Portland.

## Construction, Farm Work Slows; Logging Is Active

Portland, Sept. 27, (Special) Reports from many districts throughout the Pacific Northwest indicate that with the coming of cooler weather employment in several outdoor industries is undergoing the usual seasonal decrease, according to the 4L employment letter published here today. Logging in the fir districts, however, is even more active than it was last month at this time, the letter said.

General construction, building and farm work are among the industries that are now tapering off for the season. Lumber manufacturing in the fir districts is continuing at the past high level, the 4L letter said, while in the pine country, just east of the Cascades, sawmills are less active than during August, and several plants there already have closed down for the season.

Preparations for winter woods operations in the pine districts are getting under way, and it is reported that this work will be unusually extensive this year in regions where timber was damaged by fires during the past summer, and must be logged to be salvaged.

None of the larger hiring centers reports more than the usual number of men in the skidroad districts.

### Enstrom-Steiner.

Miss Ellen Enstrom one of the newly appointed teachers in the local schools but formerly of Vernonia, Oregon sprung a surprise upon her friends in this city by slipping away to Grants Pass last Saturday where she became the bride of Daniel Steiner of Portland. Rev. Jackson of the Presbyterian church officiated at the wedding. The young couple will make their home in this city they having rented the Clark place on the highway near the city. Mr. Steiner has accepted employment at the Gold Hill Garage.—Gold Hill News.

A record was made at the local postoffice Monday on money orders. A total of \$1434.28 orders were filled.

## COUNTY INSTITUTE IS HELD

Many Prominent Speakers  
Were Present

## BANQUET AT NOON

Columbia City Union Has  
Invited Institute To Meet  
There in January

The Columbia County Women's Christian Temperance union held a county institute here Tuesday in the Evangelical church. Prominent county members and other speakers were present at the session, which lasted from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mrs. Effie Wilson, president of the county organization, spoke on "Why We Hold County Institutes." She said that the W. C. T. U. is the one large organization that is closely connected with the church and school, that deals with the training and saving of youth. It is through the county work that plans may be made and carried out effectively, according to Mrs. Wilson.

Mrs. Ada Jolly explained the budget system. The dollar paid by W. C. T. U. members is divided as follows:

Sixty-five cents of this dollar is sent to the state treasurer. The state treasurer credits 30 cents of this to pay the member's subscription to the official state paper, the White Ribbon Review. Nine cents goes to the national and one cent to the world service work.

Of the 35 cents retained by the union, 10 cents goes into the county treasury, leaving 25 cents for the local work. The Columbia county unions expect to have their budget all paid by Saturday. This will mean a refund of 25 per cent for county work.

At noon a banquet was served by the Vernonia union in the church parlors.

During the afternoon session the children's farm home was explained, also its plans for the future, by Mrs. Maud Mills of Deer Island. In speaking of the farm home, Mrs. Mills said:

"This is one of the most wonderful undertakings in the history of this organization, as it not only gives these orphans a real home, but also religious, moral and educational training."

Rev. W. F. Rademacher, pastor of the local Evangelical church, spoke briefly on the needed legislation to help in enforcement of the 18th amendment. Rev. Rademacher, in commenting upon the liquor violations, said, "There should be a law which would prohibit cases appealed from the decision of the justice of the peace having sentences changed to a lower degree of punishment."

"Time after time this appeal is taken, not to disprove guilt, but simply to get the fine or sentence reduced. If the higher court could only decide on the guilt or innocence of the plaintiff 99 per cent of the appeals would not be taken and the wheels of justice would be free for legitimate business," said Reverend Rademacher.

Miss Lois Malmsten entertained the delegates with a piano solo in the afternoon.

Mrs. Ina Kelly of the Clatskanie union, in speaking on the responsibility of the W. C. T. U. for law enforcement said, "We are especially responsible for getting out the dry vote to register and again on election day in order that officers who are in sympathy with the Volstead act may be elected."

Mrs. M. D. Cole of Vernonia gave a talk on scientific temperance instruction. She said the whole prohibition enforcement lies in education. The organization has a great opportunity to speed up all the facilities for training the youth in our country, according to Mrs. Cole.

Mrs. Ada Jolly also spoke on the prohibition law. She said that just now the W. C. T. U. members must labor and sacrifice to build for law enforcement. She said, "The 18th amendment is only six years old, but the liquor traffic goes back to the  
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