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## ALDRICH AGAIN HEADS C. OF C.

First Meeting of Year  
Promotes Interest.

## SHEELEY IS SECRETARY

Formation Of Credit Bu-  
reau in Vernonia Has  
Many Supporters.

Opposition to a proposed bill to be introduced in the legislature eliminating towns from receiving county aid in the construction of roads and bridges was voiced in a meeting of the local chamber of commerce at noon Friday. They stated that where even one large bridge is to be built within the limits of a small town the burden is too great for a few people to bear.

The secretary was instructed to communicate with Representative A. E. Allen of Columbia county in the matter, and recommend to him that an amendment be introduced that would make the measure inoperative for towns of less than 3000 population.

On advice from Representative Allen that the bill on reforestation is to come up soon, the secretary was instructed to inform him, that this district is heartily in favor of the bill as it stands. Taxes on cut-over lands would be eliminated for a time, which would be an inducement to settlers to buy some of the large quantity of this good land here and better enable them to stand the expense of clearing the land and preparing it for cultivation.

Reorganization of the local chamber was effected at the meeting. The following board of directors was elected: Wm. Pringle, R. M. Aldrich, Emil Messing, H. E. McGraw and A. L. Kullander. They re-elected R. M. Aldrich president for the ensuing year.

There was much discussion at the meeting concerning the hiring of a paid secretary. The need was expressed for better advertising for the community. Since the income of the chamber is indefinite, it was not known how much the organization could afford to pay. Some thought \$1 per month would be fair, and that some business firms doing a large business could be encouraged to take out more than one membership.

A questionnaire will be sent to the members by the secretary asking them which committees and the nature of the kind of work they would be willing to do to help the chamber function to its best ability. It was thought that in this way committees would be appointed who would get more real action and show better results than a hasty decision by the president on what members could serve best.

It is possible that a credit bureau may be organized in Vernonia, not as a part of the chamber of commerce, but to work with that organization. The secretary of the credit bureau would also be the secretary of the chamber of commerce, with a combined office where information could readily be obtained when it was needed.

The Vernonia chamber of commerce is to have a paid secretary henceforth, it was decided at the meeting of the board of directors at 4 p. m. Friday afternoon. Lester Sheeley, city attorney of Vernonia, already had the approval by popular choice and received the appointment by the board of directors.

A permanent office will be maintained, with a stenographer to put in full time there. It is also planned to organize a merchants credit bureau here with Sheeley as secretary and having the two offices combined.

The newly elected board of directors elected the following officers: I. M. Aldrich, president; Emil Messing, vice-president; Wm. Pringle, treasurer; Lester Sheeley, secretary.

The following committees were also appointed: Roads, Sheeley, Moe, Bergerson; membership, Messing, Sheeley; Hieber; industries, McGraw, Greenman, Pringle, Bennett; agriculture, Pringle, Sheeley, F. Peterson, O. Sheeley, Tapp.

## 95 COWS PRODUCED 40 POUNDS OF FAT

A total of 595 cows were tested during the month of December, according to the report of L. J. Bartholomy, the tester. Their average production was 754 pounds of milk and 29.3 pounds of fat for the month. Ninety-five cows produced more than 40 pounds of fat for the month.

For the pure bred herds under 11 cows, Jack Anliker, of Goble, was first with an average production of 1034 pounds of milk and 41.6 pounds of fat for his 5 registered Holsteins. Rudy Anliker, of Goble, was second with an average production of 1066 pounds of milk and 37.4 pounds of fat for his 4 registered Holsteins. Lewis Snider of Warren, was third with an average production of 851 pounds of milk and 33.7 pounds of fat for his 9 registered Holsteins.

For grade herds under 11 cows, E. J. Brooks, of Cornelius, was first with an average production of 666 pounds of milk and 35.2 pounds of fat for his 9 grade Jerseys. Bill Widmer, of St. Johns, was second with an average production of 2 pounds of milk and 24.3 pounds of butterfat for his 5 grade Holsteins. B. S. Golden, of Goble, was third with an average production of 496 pounds of milk and 24.3 pounds of fat for his 4 grade Jerseys.

For the pure bred herds of more than 10 cows, Lyons & Dimick, of Sauvie Island, were first with an average production of 1129 pounds of milk and 38.3 pounds of fat for their 26 pure bred Holsteins. Hammer Brothers, of Deer Island, were second with an average production of 1043 pounds of milk and 33.8 pounds of fat for their 18 registered Holsteins. Chris Siegenthaler, of Linton, was third with an average production of 847 pounds of milk and 2.8 pounds of fat for his 16 registered Holsteins.

For the grade herds of more than 10 cows, Fred Uhlman, of Scappoose, was first with an average production of 98 pounds of milk and 39.0 pounds of fat for 17 grade Holsteins and grade Guernseys. J. L. Hunt, of Sauvie Island, was second with an average production of 896 pounds of milk and 35.8 pounds of fat for 17 grade Holsteins. Jacob Rietala, of Quincy, was third with an average production of 728 pounds of milk and 34.0 pounds of fat for 22 grade Jerseys.

Ellen, a 6 year old registered Holstein was high pure bred cow for the month. She produced 1764 pounds of milk and 79.5 pounds of butterfat. She is owned by Lewis Snider of Warren.

Number 39, a grade Holstein 8 years old was high grade cow for the month. She produced 2114 pounds of milk and 84.6 pounds of butterfat. She is owned by Borlin & Trachsel of Deer Island, Oregon.

**Attended Lecturer's Conference**  
Mrs. Frank Wooden, lecturer of the Birkenhead grange, and Mrs. Louis Carmichael, lecturer of the Natal grange, accompanied by Mrs. Frank Peterson, also of the Natal grange went to Corvallis Monday to attend the State grange lecturers conference, which is being held in cooperation with the O. A. C. Extension Service, under the direction of Mr. Hurd.

The library announces a change in the time schedule of open days. Previously the library was open three days a week, now it will be open every week day except Monday from 2:30 to 6 p. m. Miss Lois Malmsten is the librarian. The library board has voted upon three public events for the coming year. The first event will be a bridge tea at the home of Mrs. Judd Greenman February 14. A rose tea in June and one evening entertainment next winter is planned in the new year's schedule.

Mr. and Mrs. John Imbeck gave a party January 9 in honor of their 15th wedding anniversary. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis and son Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hixon and son Boyd, Orville Blevins, Mrs. Alma Urie, Miss Irene Scott, Carl Thompson, Mrs. Ruby Miller and children, Lois Esque, Mrs. Billings, Mrs. Voshell, Misses Helen and Edith Imbeck, Miss Vergie Urie, Paul Voshell, Mrs. Lillian Varner, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Large.

Phone in a classified advertisement any time before noon, Wednesday.

## AUXILIARY RECEIVES CHARTER AT BIG MEET

A joint meeting of the St. Helens and Vernonia posts of the American Legion and Auxiliary was held here Monday night in the Brown building. Miss Marie Walker of St. Helens state historian of the Auxiliary, was installing officer for the newly elected officers of Vernonia Auxiliary.

Mrs. Jones, president of the St. Helens Auxiliary, then presided at an initiation of new members of the Auxiliary. After the installation a gavel was presented to the local Legion post by Commander Jones of the St. Helens Legion. After this the local Auxiliary was formally presented with their charter by Mrs. Deming, district committeewoman of the Auxiliary.

A banquet was held the rest of the evening, interspersed with many speeches and jokes by these present.

## FILE INCOME TAX RETURNS BY MAR. 15

Portland, Or., Jan. 14.—For the information and guidance of individuals in preparing their returns, Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, today issued a statement in which he summarizes briefly the essential provisions of the 1926 Revenue Act as they relate to the liability of individuals for filing returns of income for the calendar year 1926.

Briefly, every individual is required to file an income tax return, who, during the year 1926, had—(a) A gross income of \$5000, or more, regardless of the net amount or (b) A net income of \$1500, or over, if single, or if married and not living with husband or wife; or (c) A net income of \$3500, or over, if married and living with husband or wife; or (d) Regardless of the amount if the net income exceeds the personal exemption.

Every individual claiming to be "head of a family" must file a return if he has a net income of \$1500, or more, regardless of the fact that, as such he is entitled to the same personal exemption as a married man, \$3500, and \$400 for each dependent.

A "head of a family" is defined as "an individual who actually supports and maintains in one household one or more individuals who are closely connected with him by blood relationship, relationship by marriage, or by adoption, and whose right to exercise family control and provide for these dependent individuals is based upon some moral or legal obligation."

Personal exemptions are the same as last year, being as follows: \$1500 for a single person, or married person not living with husband or wife;

\$3500 for a married person who lived with husband or wife throughout the taxable year; \$3500 for any person who was head of a family throughout the taxable year; \$400 for each dependent.

A dependent is defined as "a person, other than husband or wife under 18 years of age, or incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective, who was receiving his chief support from the taxpayer on the last day of the taxable year. This credit can be claimed only by the person who furnishes the chief support, and cannot be divided between two individuals."

If husband and wife file separate returns, the personal exemption of \$3500 may be taken by either or divided between them.

In case the status of a taxpayer changes during the taxable year, the personal exemption shall be an amount which bears the same ratio to \$1500 as the number of months during which the taxpayer was single bears to twelve months, plus an amount which bears the same ratio to \$3500 as the number of months which the taxpayer was married and living with husband or wife, or was the head of a family, bears to twelve months. For this purpose a fractional part of a month shall be disregarded unless it amounts to more than half a month, in which case it shall be considered as a full month. The amount of personal exemption shall not exceed \$3500 where the head of a family is married during the taxable year.

The normal tax is 1 1/2 percent on the second \$4000, and 5 percent on the balance.

The tax may be paid in full

## KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS PLAN YEAR'S PROGRAM

The international extension program announced recently by officers of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, will, in a large measure, direct the activities of Harding lodge according to Chancellor Commander N. S. Soden who was recently installed with eight other officers of the lodge to direct the work of the Pythian fraternity in this city during the year. The program, includes among other activities a definite plan to increase the social features, quicken interest in community service and to make a stronger appeal to worthy citizens to become members of the order. The lodge has set as a mark in the increase of its membership under the general plan announced by the Supreme Lodge to secure a twenty-per cent net gain during the year.

Commenting on the outline for the new year, Chancellor Commander N. S. Soden said: "The program is intended to make the lodge a real factor in the life of the community and to aid in the extension of the benefits of fraternal membership by performing its share in the great national movement. The movement is supported by nearly one million members in the United States and Canada. We have over 6,400 lodges and it is the purpose of the program of activity to make every one of these lodges the center of fraternal accomplishment in performing the service for which the fraternity was found, to make better homes and better communities in which to live."

"The Pythian order now operates 18 homes for aged members, their widows and orphans. Five other states are building homes. Investment in this phase of Pythian endeavor amounts to more than \$4,000,000 and over 2,000 men, women and children are provided with home comforts. Five grand domains have established educational trust funds by which worthy young men and women are given opportunity in colleges through loans from these funds."

"The Pythian Sisters, the woman's auxiliary of the order has a membership of nearly a half million and distributes annually more than \$250,000 for the care of orphaned children and for the comforts of the aged and poverty stricken."

The military department is very active and is offering to the young membership a military training almost equal to that obtained in barracks maintained by the various states.

"The insurance department has celebrated its forty-ninth birthday by moving into its new home office building in Indianapolis, Indiana, located on the war memorial plaza. This branch of the order has distributed over \$60,000,000 to widows and orphans. It has nearly 100,000 members and insurance for home protection amounting to over \$120,000,000."

**Discusses Agricultural Situation**  
County Agent, Geo. A. Nelson, attended the Vernonia grange Saturday evening and the Natal grange Sunday, at which time he spoke on the agricultural situation report, which is now being published by the economic department of the Oregon Agricultural college, and copies of which are being supplied to all the grange lecturers of the county and county newspapers. Mr. Nelson states that this is a new method of getting the latest crop and economic reports before the farmers of the county. He urges the farmers to make the fullest use of these reports in summing up the market situation and the general economic conditions.

**Installed Grange Officers**  
Clyde Watson, deputy grange master, attended the Natal grange, Sunday and installed the new grange officers for the coming year.

at the time the return is filed, or the taxpayer may pay his tax in quarterly installments of 25 per cent each on March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15, respectively.

In order to avoid penalties for delinquency, returns must reach the office of Collector Huntley in Portland not later than midnight, March 15, accompanied by the payment of at least 25 per cent of the amount of the tax.

Columbia county budget for 1927 is \$472,709.

## W. C. T. U. Institute Held At Columbia City

The legislative institute held by the Womens Christian Temperance union in Columbia City, Thursday January 11, was well attended and the program was carried out in a very satisfactory manner.

Commencing promptly at 10:00 a. m. with Devotionals led by Mrs. Effie Wilson the program moved along promptly and the various topics were discussed ably and well.

J. L. Stora of St. Helens explained the legislative department of state and nation. Rev. S. Darlow Johnson spoke on the narcotic peril and gave some very startling information such as that we of the United States use per person 36 grains of dope as against 2, 3, and 6 grains per person of England, Italy or India. Also the fact that a chemist had discovered a way to make synthetic "dope" from coal tar.

John L. Foote explained the road a bill has to travel to become a law and made plain the need for one other than the legislators to be on the job to help things along.

Mr. Foote made it clear why good bills often fail and bad bills pass not because our representatives especially favor the bad bills but because they are so strongly backed by out side influence.

Rev. W. A. Mulder gave a fine talk on motion pictures and practical ways of improving them. He said, "More can be done through education and cooperation than can be done by legislation and mere fault finding."

The Columbia City ladies who were not members of the W. C. T. U. helped serve a most delicious dinner at noon. Other Speakers who took part were Mrs. J. R. Kinder, Rev. Geo. G. Edwards, Mrs. J. E. Douglas, Mrs. L. A. Wigby, county president; Mrs. Effie Wilson, O. Henry Olen and Mrs. Maud Mills. The three little girls: Jeannette Mercer, Ellen Woolley, and Gwendolyn Cole entertained with a pleasing number.

A letter of appreciation was ordered sent A. E. Veatch, Mayor of Rainier, for his firm stand on enforcement of the prohibition laws as laid down by him in his message to the Rainier city council. A letter was also ordered sent our congressmen indorsing the child labor amendment.

MAUD J. MILLS,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## Bank of Vernonia Elects Seven Directors For Year

The annual stockholders meeting of the Bank of Vernonia was held Thursday evening. Seven directors were elected to serve for one year, whereas five directors were all that the bank has had formerly. Those elected were: Peter Bergerson, P. E. Malmsten, Wm. Pringle, A. L. Kullander, J. C. Lindley, H. E. McGraw and J. H. Bush.

H. E. McGraw was re-elected president, Peter Bergerson vice president, A. L. Kullander second vice president, J. C. Lindley cashier and May Meyers assistant cashier.

## J. O. LONQUIST KILLED BY BIG TREE AT CAMP

J. O. Lonquist, 27, was accidentally killed Thursday morning at the Jones Logging company camp, 8 miles west of Vernonia, by a falling tree at 10 o'clock in the morning. He lived by a few minutes, having suffered a fractured skull. The body was brought to the Brown Undertaking establishment. Parents and relatives of Lonquist reside in the Alberta district in Portland. He was not married.

## Two Poultrymen's Meetings Scheduled

A poultrymen's meeting will be held at the Grange hall at Fern Hill, this afternoon at 1:30 p. m. and at Warren, tomorrow at 1:30 p. m.

H. E. Cosby, poultry specialist from the extension department of the Oregon Agricultural college, will be present at that time to discuss the various phases of the poultry work with the poultrymen. All who are interested are invited to attend these meetings.

## Grade Potatoes Today

A potato grading demonstration according to the United States grading standards and the state grades will be held at the Natal grange hall, on Thursday afternoon, January 13, at 1:30 p. m. The demonstration will be given by county agent, Geo. A. Nelson.

## CITY OFFICERS RE-APPOINTED

Mayor's Choice Receives  
Approval of Council

## KELLY RECEIVES PRAISE

Ordinances on Street Assessments and Vacation  
of Land Passed.

Starting a long session of the city council Monday night at 8:20, by first hearing complaints, passing two ordinances and then making the customary city appointments nearly three hours had passed by when the weary councilmen at last adjourned.

Ordinances were passed on assessments of property adjoining streets recently improved; and on vacation of land after a petition had been filed by the Delta Land & Timber company for property that has never been used as streets and never will be.

Marshal W. J. Kelly was re-appointed to the position. When discussing the matter of the appointment, O. J. Brown, a special agent of the Wm. J. Burns international detective agency, who happened to be present, reported that Marshal Kelly was well thought of in Portland police circles and he spoke well of him otherwise, although he had never met Mr. Kelly until a few minutes before.

Other appointments made were as follows: D. B. Reasoner, city recorder; Lester Sheeley, city attorney; Dr. A. J. Hughes, city health officer; M. L. Gaines, water superintendent; Mrs. Earl Washburn, water collector. Through an oversight the road supervisor was not appointed. Although a city engineer will have to be appointed, no action was taken on that office because his services are not needed now. George McGee, who held that post formerly, now resides in Portland.

## MILLS AND WARDLE AT BIG CONFERENCE

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 14. (Special)—Addresses and round-table discussions on problems vital to the publication of high school magazines and newspapers, student body administration, girls' league activities, and faculty advisers, featured the first day of the annual high school conference which opened here today. Delegates were here from almost every high school in the state, registration totalling well over 500 with more students arriving throughout the day.

Following a welcoming assembly at which President Arnold Bennett Hall greeted the delegates with an address in which he pointed out those qualifications necessary for preparedness for life, the conference divided into groups.

Miss Jessie Spaulding Smith, director of publications at Oakland, Calif. Theatrical high school was chief speaker before the joint session of editors and managers. She spoke on the subject "Making the Paper Interesting", pointing out that the high schools and the general public as well and emphasizing the importance the newspaper plays in interpreting the spirit of the high school.

W. A. Lacey, principal of the Walla Walla, Wash., high school, delivered the principal address before the student body officers. Delegates in this division found plenty of material for discussion from the floor, as well as did girls' league officers.

Faculty advisers, meeting during the afternoon, heard a discussion of "The High School Magazine as a Stimulus for Creative Writing" by Miss Jesse Spaulding Smith.

Delegates took respite from the intensive program at the banquet in the evening at which President Hall was toastmaster and C. A. Howard, state superintendent of schools, was one of the speakers. A basketball game between the Oregon and Willamette University teams followed the banquet.

Election of officers for the four associations for the coming year is the outstanding event scheduled for the half-day meeting on Saturday. Women delegates are being invited to a correct clothes show, an annual feature of the conference.

Russell Mills and John Wardle represented Vernonia at the high school conference.