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## New Playground Contest is Open

Vernonia Harmon Field Eligible For Cash Benefits

## Local Interest Anticipated

Foundation to Give \$5,000 to Fields Showing Progress in Newspaper Publicity and Photographs

Notification has been received by those in charge of Harmon field that the division of playgrounds of the Harmon Foundation will conduct another Honorarium contest for its affiliated fields during 1927-28. The sum of \$5,000 will be given in awards. Determination of the relative progress on the various playgrounds will be decided by the facts shown through publicity in magazines and newspapers, and by photographs. Where there is evidence that accomplishment has come about through the efforts of one individual, personal recognition with award will be given.

The period covered by the contest will extend from March 1, 1927, to May, 1928. The articles and pictures entered must show development on the fields in the improvement of the land, equipment or organized leadership.

There will be a first award of \$500, a second of \$400, a third award of \$300, fourth award of \$200, fifth award of \$150, 15 awards of \$100 and 39 awards of \$50.

"The foundation hopes, wherever possible, to use the material submitted to stimulate the establishment of more playfields," writes the director, Mary Beattie Brady. "Well taken photographs, not of posed groups, but of the field in actual use by those groups should give a most graphic story of the advantages of this recreational adjunct to the community. Equally inspiring may be the articles describing activities, means of arousing local interest in improvements on the land, or telling what was done to obtain funds for an especially desired piece of equipment. These should result in an exchange of ideas of value, for an original plan which succeeds on one field should become an inspiration to others."

It is further explained that photographs submitted need not be of the expensive commercial types, but that those such as the amateur takes with a kodak will be quite acceptable. They must, when intended to show progress, give a "before" and "after" view of the same subject.

A chronological clipping and photograph file will be kept by the Foundation for each playground entering the competition. Entries may be forwarded at any time, and special requests for them will be sent out from the foundation on October 1, 1927 and May 1, 1928.

Decisions as to the winning fields will be made by a jury of five to be announced in September, and awards will be presented in June 1928. If in the opinion of the judges the material submitted is not deemed worthy, the right is reserved to make the awards on a different scale of distribution or not at all.

"Give 'em a place to play" is the slogan of the park board, according to page 2.

## C. Schneider Dies Sunday Wibel Visiting in Jewell

Conrad Schneider, 77, died Sunday while at the home of his son in Jewell, where he had been visiting. His death was caused by a cerebral hemorrhage after an illness of five days. The Brown undertaking establishment had charge of the funeral, which was held in Mayger, where interment occurred.

Mr. Schneider was born in Germany and was 77 years, 8 months and 1 day old at the time of his death, July 17. He is survived by his wife, who is at present in a Salem hospital, and five sons, three of whom, Arthur, Charles and Earl, have been living with him in Vernonia.

## Industrial Activities Nearing Seasonal Peak

Portland, Industrial, agricultural and construction activities, except logging and lumbering, are now nearing seasonal peak, giving employment to practically all available men and women in the Pacific northwest according to the 4L employment letter published here today. Reviewing employment conditions west of the Cascades the 4L reports:

Industrial activities have been temporarily slowed down because of Fourth of July holidays. Logging camps began to shut down or contract operations early in June and it is now estimated that not more than 50 per cent of fir capacity will actually log during July.

More than 5,000 loggers who were laid off before the Fourth are making time waiting for camps to reopen, while hundreds have gone east of the mountains and elsewhere for the harvest or have taken local construction jobs.

The annual Fourth of July closing of sawmills has averaged five days. Sawmill operation continues spotted, and with more or less curtailment of actual production in nearly every district.

Agricultural, canning factory, railroad, highway, tourist, mining and industrial activities, except logging and lumbering, are at mid-summer peak. The number of unemployed is low, but those without work find it difficult to secure skilled help promptly for jobs offered. Turnover in all lines is low.

East of the Cascades both logging and lumbering is more nearly normal than in the fir districts, according to the 4L letter. There are now but few skilled woodsmen, sawmill or planer men unemployed in the pine districts.

## Legion Convention Starts

Local Post to Participate in All Functions, Including Stunts

With the opening of the ninth annual state American Legion convention in La Grande today, Vernonia post will be well represented, with five delegates from the Legion post and three from the Auxiliary. It is expected that because of the activity of the local posts this year, state honors will be received in greater number than ever before in the history of the local organizations.

A thin section of a five-foot log was shipped to La Grande, together with two small sections of smaller logs, to display on the float which will carry Mrs. Clarence Nance, who has been elected Princess Vernonia. The local organizations have planned a float distinctive of this district, and will give away 2000 shingles from the Johnson & McGraw shingle mill through the courtesy of the Central Coal & Coke company.

M. E. Carkin, who has been mentioned in connection with the state commander's office for a likely contender for the vice commander's job in the event of losing the other. He has served the past year as an executive committeeman. Carkin also holds the office of grande garde de la porte in the state organization of the 40 et 8. This organization will also hold its convention and yearly "wreck" at La Grande at this time.

Others who will attend are: Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McGraw, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nance, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson, H. C. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fenner, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kullander, E. M. Murphy.

The district cup won for the greatest increase in membership in district No. 1 will be retained by the local post. The large Stewart trophy goes to who topped Vernonia's percentage this year. It is thought likely, however, that Carkin will win the cup presented to the member for personally signing the greatest number of ex-service men up with the organization.

## Babies Start Fire

Two small babies at the home of M. Murray started a fire in some paper with matches they had found Tuesday afternoon, causing a small fire in the home that resulted in about \$100 damage. A sofa and a rug were partially destroyed.

Linnton—Columbia Highway being widened to 48 feet for heavy travel.

## All Stars Win Fast Baseball Game from Astoria Netel Grange

Good Field Work Prevents Scoring On Many Hits; Team Will Play Birkenfeld in Vernonia Sunday.

Last Sunday the Vernonia All-Stars journeyed to Astoria and took their fast Netel Grange team in to camp making it six wins out of seven starts. Taking a two run lead in the first frame the All-Stars proceeded to knock the first pitcher out of the box. They were pitched once when Astoria got a scratch hit, drew a walk and then connected with two singles. But holding them there, the All-Stars proceeded to collect four more counters in the following innings through the stick work of McGregor and Gordon.

The game was featured by the hitting of both teams but fast work in the field prevented more scoring. Few errors marred the game and some past double plays by Astoria enlivened the day for the spectators.

A return game with this team will be played in the local park on August 7. Next Sunday the All-Stars meet the Birkenfeld team here. It is said that Birkenfeld, Jewell and the local colored team are joining forces to stop the All-Stars and this game promises to be the hottest of the season.

## THE LINEUP:

Vernonia All-Stars,

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Laird ss	5	1	2	2	3	1		
Nance 2b	5	1	2	0	3	1		
Linn cf	2	2	0	2	0	0		
McGregor p	4	2	0	6	0	0		
Gordon 3b	4	0	3	1	1	1		
Drorbaugh 1b	4	0	0	14	0	0		
McKillop lf	4	0	2	0	0	0		
Graven c	4	0	1	6	0	0		
Taylor rf	3	0	0	2	0	0		
Total	35	6	12	27	13	3		

Netel Grange, Astoria

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Turner 3b	4	1	1	0	2	0		
G. Tucker 2b	4	0	1	2	3	1		
E. Tucker ss	3	1	1	3	4	0		
Quillang 1b	4	1	0	11	0	0		
Urel c	4	0	0	5	0	0		
Tomberg cf	4	0	0	1	0	0		
Sparh lf	4	0	1	0	0	0		
W. Tucker rf	2	0	0	1	0	0		
Seppa p	4	0	1	2	3	0		
A. Tucker rf	2	0	0	2	1	0		
Total	35	3	5	27	13	1		

Summary: Two base hits, Gordon McGregor 2; Stolen bases, Nance, Laird, McGregor, Gordon 2, Graven, E. Tucker, Quilling; base on balls, off Seppa, 5; hit by pitcher, by McGregor, E. Tucker; sacrifice, Linn; double plays, E. Tucker to G. Tucker to Quilling; A. Tucker to Quilling; struck out, by Seppa, 4; by McGregor, 6. Umpires, Duval, Williams.

## Oregon is Proving Lure to Settlers

Interest of the farmers in the midwest is focused on Oregon as never before. That is the message conveyed to the land settlement department of the state and Portland Chambers of Commerce daily by the new arrivals from the midwestern section.

W. H. Livingston, of Sioux City, Iowa, who arrived in Portland with L. A. Frisbie of the same city, declared that the name of Oregon is heard constantly now whereas formerly California was the topic of conversation among those who were looking to the west.

Low prices of farm land in Oregon, ability to produce a greater diversity of crops, and favorable climatic conditions are the most important factors offered by these newcomers as the reason for the increasing interest.

Since the first of July many families representing a number of the states of the midwestern have responded to this urge and have joined the westward tide of emigration. Many families have also come from the other states of the Pacific Coast. According to the records of the land settlement department 30 of these families have called during the first 10 days of July at the Portland office for information and guidance in making a wise selection of farm lands.

From Rivar Forest, Illinois, came Richard Stoltzenburg with his family. They spent several days looking at farms on the McMinnville. Please turn to page 6.

## Malmstens Spend Night In Black Hills on Trip To Swea City, Iowa

Trip of 2409 Miles is Made With Oregon Air Still in Tires; Best Crops Seen Were in South Dakota

Swea City, Ia., July 12, 1927. To the editor:—Complying with your request to report about our trip east will say that we surely had a delightful trip all the way. The speedometer tells us that we traveled 2409 miles from our home till we arrived at our destination in Swea City, Ia. We used 120 gallons of gasoline and the total price of gasoline bill amounted to \$27.71. We left Vernonia on Wednesday, June 28, at 1 p. m. and arrived here on Friday July 8, at 5:40 p. m. having traveled all over the Yellowstone park.

The roads were very good all the way and could meet cars anywhere without any difficulty. We did not even have a puncture, consequently have Oregon air in our tires yet after driving around considerably here. We camped in the Black Hills one night within a mile of the president's summer White house and saw the president but did not shake hands. He evidently has chosen the best place between Washington D. C. and Oregon for his summer home but perhaps he is not familiar with Oregon.

There were few auto camps that had cabins and they were always occupied when we were ready to stop for the night. I told the people running the camp of the conveniences the Oregon, Washington and California camps offer and I think it may result in them offering better accommodations should we return the same way.

The crops along the way varied and the best we have seen so far was from Mitchell to Sioux Falls, S. D., with an occasional good crop on some farms around here.

Have met a goodly number of relatives and a host of old friends and expect to see more. Some have changed but little and the reason or secret of it is, that those who worry most grow old the quicker. Great changes have taken place in this town both in building and general appearance. The trees have grown in size till homes are hid from view in some instances and the branches spread so the streets look like a tunnel.

This town is a busy place for a small town. The merchants are not letting the catalog houses get as big a percentage of the business as some towns do, by giving good values for the money. On Wednesday and Saturday evening the people in the surrounding country come to town early to have a social time as well as do their buying and the streets are lined with automobiles and the crowds reminds one of a big 4th of July celebration. Every Wednesday evening the band plays and the stores are kept open till 12 o'clock on those nights.

Will close by saying we are royally entertained and are invited out here and there so the time passes rapidly with little time to spare for other purposes. Hoping things are going along fine in Vernonia and that all are busy, we greet you all.

Mr. and Mrs. Malmsten and family.

## Bridal Shower for Miss Gibson

Miss Lena Gibson was the guest of honor at a bridal shower given by her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. L. Gibson, last week. It was announced that she will become the bride of Robert Mitchem Saturday, July 23, in Vancouver, Wash.

Those present were: Mrs. A. C. Brown, Mrs. Fred Brewer, Mrs. Robert Williams, Mrs. C. E. Gibson, Mrs. John Krinick, Mrs. Dane Brady, Miss Margaret Shipley, Miss Isabelle Curry, Miss Ida Mae Hawkins, Miss Gladys Krinick, Miss Birdie Lester, Miss Lou Lester, Mrs. Dora Washburn, Mrs. Nellie Dunlevy, Mrs. O. D. McCabe, Mrs. F. E. Visnaw, Mrs. R. W. Savage, Mrs. Anna Schultz, Mrs. Ben Rayermer, Mrs. A. E. Tousey, Mrs. E. H. Washburn, Mrs. C. L. Gibson, Mrs. H. G. Phelps and Miss Lena Gibson.

Little Genevieve Garner daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garner of this city is quite ill at her home on the O-A. hill.

## Puri Biggs, 10, Drowns Thursday in Nehalem

While playing on rafts in the Nehalem river Thursday afternoon with other boys, Puri Biggs, 10, slipped in jumping from one raft to another and fell in the river, drowning before he could be rescued. His funeral was held in the Christian church Saturday and interment followed in the Vernonia cemetery. Rev. T. W. Leavitt preached the funeral services.

Puri Edward Biggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Biggs, was born September 2, 1916 near Clackamas, Oregon, and died July 14, having lived 10 years, 10 months and 12 days. Puri was baptized into Christ a little more than two months ago by Reverend Leavitt. He was a faithful attendant of the Bible school and Christian church here and was a member of the boys class taught by Dr. M. D. Cole.

He leaves to mourn his departure his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Biggs; two brothers, Willie and Carl, and one sister, Mrs. C. C. Fowler, all of Vernonia. Besides these relatives he leaves a host of friends. Many of the floral pieces displayed at the funeral were made up and brought by small boy and girl friends of the lad.

## Late Farm Market Review

Brief Summary of Commodity Trends For Week Ending July 18

The markets are now being influenced by prospective production of new crops which all factors in the trade are watched closely. As a whole crops prospects are not promising, but they are better in the western states than in the flooded areas and eastern part of corn belt. Two per cent less land than last year is in cultivated crops but of some crops there is an increase. Prospects are for the shortest corn crop in 26 years, a very short crop of fruit, about average of potatoes, wheat, flax and feed grains other than corn and for large crops of beans and hay.

Grains. More favorable crop prospects weakened markets for practically all grains last week reports the weekly market review of the United States department of agriculture. Total wheat crop is expected to be about 22 million bushels more than last year because of a heavy increase in spring wheat reparted in good condition although the season is not over. Practically all increase for the United States is accounted for in the three Pacific northwest states. Some information indicates rather heavy shattering in parts of eastern Oregon. Soft red winter wheat is not turning out so well as expected in eastern states and the crop may scarcely equal domestic requirements. Cash corn was firm but other grains and rye followed the general tendency of wheat to decline in price. Some wheat business at Portland at \$1.34 to \$1.35 for August shipment was reported. Coast barley markets were relatively firm with choice shipping grades quoted \$2.60 and feeding quality \$1.90 San Francisco.

Livestock. Cattle markets ruled strong last week and new peaks were established on the season's price record for heavy steers in Chicago. Receipts were larger than for previous week. Hog market advanced somewhat. Conditions now seem to favor more than the average summer advance on fat hog prices but if the corn crop is as short as it appears hog prices may decline more than usual late in the fall. The fat lamb market was weaker generally on heavy receipts with cull kinds especially off. Unofficial information indicates 75 per cent of lambs in Idaho marketed, 40 per cent in Washington and around 25 per cent in Oregon. Feeder lambs were steady.

Butter. Western butter markets were up and down somewhat but reasonably steady for the week although receipts continue liberal with the cold storage deficit nearly made up. In the east markets opened firm and closed weak, receipts being heavy and production still running ahead of last year though declining. Cold storage stocks for the United States on July 1 had become heavier than last year by more than 3 million pounds as compared to heavy shortages earlier in the year. Movement into

## Dairymen Iron Out Ordinance

Objectional Features Struck From New Milk Law

## Is Now Agreeable to All

Adjourned Meeting Held Tuesday Night Because Lack of Quorum Monday

Dairymen met with the city council Monday night, after the former had met separately since the last council meeting and discussed the provisions of the new milk ordinance. Most of their objections were in relation to the powers of the city health officer concerning possible abuse in the enforcement of the milk ordinance that would make its distribution prohibitive for the dairymen.

One provision said that no person shall sell milk which is adulterated or does not conform to the standards, rules and regulations established by the city health officer. This was changed to read that a person must conform to state regulations only, unless specifically stated in this ordinance. It was not deemed a good policy to give the city health officer power to make his own rules and regulations.

There was much discussion over the provision that all milk houses must be kept clean and painted once a year. Some dairymen thought this was more often than necessary. It was pointed out that the state law requires painting twice a year, but that part is not rigidly enforced when a dairyman keeps his milk house in a sanitary condition.

Another provision stated that capping and bottling machines shall be used. The dairymen agreed to the merit of capping machines, but objected to the bottling machine, inasmuch as they considered that to have no effect upon keeping the milk sanitary, and involved extra expense. That part was stricken out.

The ordinance stated that all persons connected with the handling and distribution of milk should be examined once a year by the city health officer for contagious diseases. This was changed to read any practicing physician. It also stated that this was required of persons handling raw milk. They objected to the word "raw" being there and thought it should apply to all milk. It was pointed out that persons handling pasteurized milk are already required to have a physical examination, but the word was stricken out anyway. This will not force those handling pasteurized milk to have two health certificates, however, since the ordinance now reads that any physician may give the examination.

One provision of the ordinance read that persons shall not deliver milk which the inspector deems unfit. After some argument on the word "deems," which it was thought gave the inspector too much leeway in determining what was unfit, whether it be on account of a slight odor which is sometimes given the milk because of an overfeeding of alfalfa or other green crop and which is harmless, or because of impurities which would cause sickness, it was decided to strike out the words "the inspector deems" and substitute the word "is."

Because of the lack of a quorum Monday night the council adjourned to Tuesday night when the ordinance was passed. Dr. M. D. Cole and C. F. Heiber were present as a committee from the Chamber of Commerce to discuss ways and means with the council whereby the city streets could be regularly cleaned. There was also discussed the advisability of hiring a night marshal, especially during the summer months.

storage in June totaled nearly 65 million pounds which is 4 million more than the 1919 record and 8 million more than in 1926.

Wool. A heavier movement and firmer prices characterized recent wool market news. Fair inquiry slow trading and steady feature the mohair trade.