

Council Buys Department New Fire Hose

E. W. Holtham Succeeds Aldrich on Council

Discuss Catch Basins

Misses Hazel Malmsten and Bessie McDonald Appointed On Library Board.

On hundred feet of a good grade of new fire hose was ordered purchased by the council at its meeting Monday night. Fire Chief Smith has been advocating this move for several months, declaring that some of the present hose is so worn out that there is danger of it bursting under pressure at any time.

E. W. Holtham was elected councilman to serve out the rest of the term of R. M. Aldrich, resigned. He was called to the city hall and immediately sworn in by City Recorder Reasoner. He is to serve the rest of 1928.

Two members of the library board, Mrs. C. W. Reithner and Mrs. W. A. Harris, having resigned, the mayor, with the approval of the council, appointed Miss Hazel Malmsten to serve the remainder of Mrs. Harris' term, and Miss Bessie McDonald to serve the remainder of Mrs. Reithner's term.

The problem of cleaning out the catch basins at street intersections in the business district was discussed at some length. Water Superintendent Gaines was of the opinion that heavy screens placed under the gratings would catch all paper and sticks and that these could easily be removed. It was generally conceded that some of the basins are so badly clogged at present that a man would have to be hired to clean them out before the rains start to avoid small floods at intersections.

A petition for a street light at the corner of First avenue and Umattilla street was granted by the council.

Lester Sheeley, representing the Chamber of Commerce, was present to protest the non-action of the council in the matter of hiring a special rate attorney to present the city's case in the complaint filed with the public service commission against the Vernonia Light & Power company to reduce the rates. The mayor appointed a committee consisting of Tapp, Hoffman and Holtham to investigate the feasibility of the matter and report at the adjourned session of the council to be held Friday night.

Albert Childs asked permission to construct a woodshed in the rear of the Nehalem Market, an addition to the present building. The request was granted. The council also decided to buy and install a valve for the water line at the west approach of the bridge on Bridge street as an emergency measure in case of the breaking of the line.

Hillsboro Legion Plans Air Circus Next Sunday

Interest in the first annual American Legion air circus Sunday, August 26, at the Hillsboro airport, is being shown throughout northwestern Oregon and the Legion committees are laying plans to give the spectators "a thrill a minute." It is expected that at least 20 planes from various parts of the northwest will take part in the day's events.

The circus will be opened at 11 a.m. with a race from Swan island field in Portland. The stunt flying contest will start at 1 p.m., and it is open to strictly stock 90-horsepower motors. This event will include three rolls, three loops, three true Immelmans, and three turns in a spin coming out in direction of entering.

Planes will vie in a dead-stick landing, which is cutting motors off at 1000 feet altitude, freezing the stick and landing at a given point. The winner is the one who has his wheel nearest the line.

The circus will be held at the 100-acre airport recently purchased by Dr. E. H. Smith.

Soap Kills Scale Insects

Scale insects which attack house ferns are controlled by frequent applications of common laundry soap, says the entomologist of the experiment station. Four ounces of soap is used to a gallon of water. It is best to wash the solution from the plants about two hours after application.

L. L. Althaus and W. R. Meyer of the Shell Oil company made a business trip to Portland Friday.

Miss N. E. Alley Takes Duties of County Nurse

Miss N. E. Alley, formerly of Richmond, Ky., arrived in St. Helens recently to take over the duties of the county nurse. She was in Vernonia Tuesday, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Murray, county school superintendent, and Mrs. L. A. Humphreys, home economics specialist, who will give demonstrations here next week.

Miss Alley is a graduate of the Army School of Nursing, connected with the Walter Reed general hospital at Washington, D. C. She has also taken a special course in public health training at Columbia university, New York.

Holthams Return From Vermont

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holtham and family returned to Vernonia Monday from Sheffield, Vt., where they have spent the summer. "We are glad to be back," said Mr. Holtham, "but we have seen 26 states since leaving here, having driven to Portland, Me., just before starting west."

They were accompanied by their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. McDowell and daughter.

Premium List Of Livestock Exposition Is Available

The premium list of the 18th annual Pacific International Livestock Exposition, to be held at Portland, November 3 to 10 inclusive, is now being distributed. Extra copies may be had from General Manager O. M. Plummer, 211 American Bank building, Portland.

The total amount of cash prizes offered in all the various departments approximated \$100,000 and is divided about as follows: \$11,000 in the beef division, to which the breed association from the various parts of the country have added \$7000; the dairy department \$11,800 in addition to about \$2000 by the breed associations; the sheep classification carries \$6500 of our money and about \$2000 additional of breed association money; the draft horse class \$3750; the fat classes roughly around \$5000; in the horse show department, which is second to none in the country, \$10,500 of Pacific International's money and \$24,500 in stakes and in entry fees, making a total of roughly \$35,000 for the Horse Show which again makes it lead the world. In the Land Products department \$4500; dairy products show about \$1000; for Boy and Girl Club work \$5000; judging contests of various kinds \$3250. There will also be a divisional show of the American National Fox Breeders' Association with prizes aggregating several thousand dollars given by the association itself. The district this year will comprise Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska, with perhaps some other territory taken in.

The same superintendents, practically, have been selected for the coming show. As a matter of fact, the heads of departments of the Pacific International are changed very little, which assures a smooth, splendid show year after year. The various department heads are as follows: A. P. Fleming, manager of the Pacific International Horse Show. Mr. Fleming is known all over the country as the manager, not only of the Pacific International Horse Show, but of the Oakland, Stockton and Palo Alto shows in California and this year will handle the newly organized Seattle Horse Show to be held October 20 to 27, inclusive. His handling of these five big shows on the coast insures a splendid entry list in every case.

E. J. Fjeldner of Idaho has charge of the beef division; D. L. Fourn of Idaho of the dairy division; Ray Fox, one of our trustees, has charge of the swine section; C. E. Grelle, our trustee and a director of the Pacific Co-operative Wool Growers' Association, will have charge of wool and mohair show; Professor O. M. Nelson of O. A. C. with the sheep; A. Moulton-Fenton has the horse section; C. D. Minton in charge of the Manufacturing and Land Products Show; Professor Chappell of O.A.C. has the Dairy Products Show; R. H. Thomas, Portland, is in charge of the industrial section; H. C. Seymour in charge of Boy and Girl club work at Camp Plummer; Dr. Lytle of Oregon, in co-operation with his fellow associates from Washington and Idaho, will enforce the sanitary arrangement.

With bumper crops all over the country, and livestock people beginning to feel the increases which are slowly taking place, it is a foregone conclusion that the Pacific International this year will live up to its motto: "Bigger and Better."

This great livestock university of this Pacific slope country has become a part of agriculture in its very best sense and has rooted deep.

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Add One Day To Vacation

High School and 2 Grade Schools Will Open On Tuesday, September 4.

At the request of Miller Mercantile company, who are handling the school books again this year, the Vernonia grade schools and high school will not open until Tuesday, September 4, according to J. B. Wilkerson.

Since other merchants in the town wish to observe Labor day, they complained last year they were forced to stay open since Miller's was open to sell books and supplies and many of the others sell school supplies. Consequently, wishing to keep peace in the community, the school boards have granted one more day of vacation than was at first contemplated.

Professor Wilkerson announced, however, that since one day has been cut from the schedule, classes will be held in the afternoon of September 4. The students will meet in the morning for registration and then will be given an opportunity to purchase their books.

In the afternoon schedules will be arranged to avoid conflicts, lessons assigned, and preparations made for actively entering upon school work Wednesday, September 5.

Relief Corps Will Hold Picnic

The Women's Relief Corps will hold a picnic at Weed's grove on Thursday, August 30. There will be plenty of cars available to take all members to the grove. They are asked to meet at the bank at 10 a.m. All members and friends are urged to come.

Two new members joined the Corps at the last meeting August 16.

Circulating Petitions For A. E. Veatch For Independent Candidate

Petitions are being circulated in Columbia county to place the name of A. E. Veatch of Rainier as an independent candidate for representative in the state legislature.

Mr. Veatch was the third candidate to file for the republican nomination at the primaries, and received less votes than the nominee Glen R. Metsker or E. E. Ballagh. Mr. Metsker also received the democratic nomination through having his name written in.

In regard to his independent candidacy, Mr. Veatch issued the following statement: "I have decided to allow my name to go on the official ballot as an independent candidate. It is only fair to those who believe in the principles I do to give them an opportunity to cast their votes for a man in line with their ideas. I feel that my position and my principles are being more and more vindicated each day as the great issues of the present presidential campaign are forming and sides are being taken by the respective candidates and their adherents. If I should be so fortunate (or unfortunate) as to be elected, well and good. I shall serve the people of Columbia county to the best of my ability and will not waver in the support of any measure which I deem of benefit to the great majority. If I should be defeated I will feel that I went down in a just cause and there will be no remorse on my part."

Legion Plans Big Meeting August 28

Vernonia post, American Legion, plans a big meeting Tuesday, August 28, when it is expected that committees will be appointed and plans made to hold a big three-day carnival the latter part of September with the object in view of clearing the local post of all present indebtedness on the post building.

Since it was decided at the state convention in Medford to have installation of officers at the first meeting in October of each year, it is expected that Commander Hurley will call for nominations at the first meeting in September with election the last meeting to comply with the new ruling.

Special entertainment is being planned for next Tuesday and refreshments will be served.

Less Danger For Filberts

Little likelihood exists that the present serious inroads on the filbert crop by a mysterious disease will recur next year in as severe form, believe specialists of the experiment station. This disease which appears as a brown stain exuded from the immature nuts causing blanks or deformities has been seen before but not in such quantities. Its cause and real nature is yet undetermined.

Creamery Adds New Equipment

Now Installing 30-Horsepower Boiler, Capable of Supplying All Needs.

The Nehalem Valley Ice & Creamery company received a large boiler this week which is being installed in an extra room in back of the present structure. This boiler, which is of 30-horsepower capacity, will be capable of running three pasteurizers with a capacity of 300 gallons of milk at one time.

The boiler will, in addition to this, provide heat for the plant in winter, run the steam turbine bottle washer, and the bottle sterilizer, as well as the cream tester.

Since the reorganization of the creamery one year ago, approximately \$5000 in new equipment and reconstruction has been spent. From a daily production of 50 pounds of butter, the output has been increased to 300 pounds per day and indications point to a steady growth far beyond this.

Because of objections on the part of officers and stockholders to the word "ice" in the name, as that is a small part of the business, it is expected that the name "Nehalem Dairy Products Co." will be adopted in the near future.

Coincidental with the change in name it is planned to change the name of the butter from Nehalem Valley butter to Nehalem Gold butter, and pack it in goldenrod-colored cartons.

The local butter is said to be of such high grade that recently, when a surplus was on hand, quantities were sold to two Portland merchants. Telegrams were immediately received from these merchants stating they would pay .5 cent above the market price per pound if they could be supplied with this butter regularly. Lack of cream is all that keeps the creamery from manufacturing more of this product, it is said.

Officers of the corporation are J. E. Tapp, president; Lester Sheeley, vice president; Harry W. Kerns, manager and buttermaker; Mrs. Harry Kerns, bookkeeper. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Kerns, the creamery employs one assistant buttermaker, one girl butter printer, one cream hauler and ice delivery man, one milk and butter delivery man, and two boys as helpers on deliveries.

Larch Mountain Scaled By Party

A party of 20 from Vernonia climbed Larch mountain Saturday evening. They left here in five cars about 7 o'clock, arriving at Multnomah falls at 11:30. They commenced the climb at midnight and reached the top at 3:30. They were disappointed at not being able to see the sunrise on account of the fog.

Breakfast was served at the top by Miss Hazel Malmsten and Miss Della Cline. They started the descent at 6, arriving at the foot about 10:30 and were back in Vernonia at 6 p.m. Sunday evening. It is about 6.5 miles to the top of the mountain.

Those who made the trip were: Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Parker, Misses Thelma Olsen, Helen Hieber, Della Cline, Merrill Mills, Zelma New, Hazel Malmsten, Catherine Hoffman, Charlotte Green; Bodie Hieber, Lou Althaus, Marshall Malmsten, Russell Mills, Charles Nelson, Norman Greene, Elmer Olsen, Carl Burgeson, Veldon Parker and Arthur Hixson.

JOSEPH L. WILLIAMS

Joseph L. Williams, 80, former resident of Vancouver, died Sunday at the home of his daughter at Treharne, where he had lived for a short time. He is survived by six sons, William C. Lane of Ridgefield, Wash., Virgil F. Lane of Ellsworth, Wash., J. B. Lane of Manor, Wash., O. S., J. T. and J. C. Lane of Vancouver, and two daughters, Mrs. William Prutzman of Treharne and Mrs. Ed Allen of Portland. The funeral was held yesterday at Vancouver.

Keep Lumber Dry

If wood or lumber in a building is kept free from moisture, so-called dry rot cannot make progress in it, says the plant pathology department in answer to inquiries as to its control. The rot is caused by a fungus, *Porcia incrassata*, and no fungus can cause rot if cut off from moisture. Treatment usually consists in replacing rotted wood with sound timbers or boards and making sure there is no contact with the ground or leaks in roofs. Even escaping steam sometimes causes trouble.

Offer Prizes For Best Cakes and Bread Made

Prizes will be given for the best cakes and loaves of bread made of Crown flour at the special demonstration for 4-H club girls and ladies of Vernonia and community to be given by Mrs. L. A. Humphreys, home economics specialist, at the Christian church Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, August 28 and 29.

Full particulars of the baking contest will be given at the demonstration Tuesday. Entries must be in by 2 p.m. Wednesday. The demonstrations will be held during the hours of 10 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. each day. Baked goods will be sold by the ladies of the church Wednesday after 4:30 p.m. A recipe book will be given each lady attending.

Christensen Dies in Portland

George Christensen, who was injured last week at the East Side camp, died Wednesday in Portland.

Misses Ruth and Edith Powers of Burley, Ida., were guests of Miss Macie Roberts over the week end.

Public Invited To Attend Lecture On Flowers August 23

"J. H. Bacher, manager of the Swiss Floral company of Portland, and an authority in his field, will speak on 'Landscaping The Small Garden' at the meeting of the Vernonia Garden club at the Evangelical church Tuesday, August 23," states Mrs. M. D. Cole.

This will be an interesting lecture, according to Mrs. Cole, for both members of the Garden club and any others who are interested in improving their grounds. She stressed the point that the public is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Bacher will deliver his lecture with the aid of many of his several hundred slides which will be projected on the screen at the church.

The Garden club is sponsoring these lectures once a month in the interest of improving the beauty of Vernonia gardens and homes.

4-H Club Members To Have a Weekly Radio Program by October 1

A large-scale demonstration of radio's effectiveness in influencing rural thought and action will be carried on for a period of 30 weeks starting October 1, by some 60 broadcasting stations and the radio and extension services of the United States department of agriculture, the department announced recently.

The radio stations cooperating with the department are going to give the rank and file of 4-H club boys and girls a national outlook on the activities of their organization by means of a weekly broadcast, "The 4-H Club Crier," prepared by the radio service in conjunction with the extension service.

The 4-H clubs, with a membership of more than 620,000 farm boys and girls, are agencies for the development of skill and character and enthusiasm for farm life among farm youngsters. The new radio program for club members is the first effort to give each individual in the organization a weekly glimpse into the whole realm of club work.

The national program will supplement state 4-H club radio programs, carried on by a number of land grant colleges. It will introduce a new radio personality who will tell farm boys and girls of the entire country the story each week of the best achievements by club members, local clubs, or groups of local clubs, announce important regional or national club events, and explain how to conduct club projects.

Separate "4-H Crier" programs are being developed for the eastern, central, southern, and western groups of states. The schedules of cooperating radio stations will be announced early in September. Sixty-one stations in 38 states have requested the program.

Surprise on Birthday

A number of her friends paid a surprise visit to Miss Catherine Hoffman Tuesday evening, it being her birthday. Miss Hoffman received many beautiful gifts. The evening was spent in dancing and later ice cream, cake and sandwiches were served by the self invited guests.

Those present were Mrs. W. H. Hurley, Misses Zelma New, Merle Mills, Dorothy Holtham, Charlotte Green, Phoebe Greenman, Louise Simmons, Della Cline, Helen Hieber, Amy Hughes, Frances Lappe; and Russell Mills, Harold Olsen, John Wardle, Norman Green, Veldon Parker, Charles Nelson, Lawrence Dickson, Herman Dickson, Bodie Hieber, Marshall Malmsten, Morris Bennett, Donald Hodges.

Start Contest To Help Fair Attendance

Grand Prize and District Prizes Offered.

Sell Season Tickets

Larger Attendance Expected At Fair This Year On Account Of Big Contest

Prizes In Contest
Grand Prize: An expense paid trip to the Pendleton Round-Up, September 19-22, or a handsome diamond ring.

Five prizes: One each for the most popular girl in St. Helens, Rainier, Clatskanie, Vernonia, Scappoose, of their choice of a gold wrist watch or an expense paid trip to the Oregon state fair at Salem September 24-29.

Unlimited prizes of one season ticket to the Columbia county fair to every person who qualifies in this popularity contest.

Who is Columbia county's most popular girl?

As a means of determining who is the most popular girl in this county and also who are the most popular young ladies in each of the five local cities a popularity contest started last week which will be of interest to everyone in Columbia county.

In order to give more persons the opportunity to secure season tickets to the Columbia county fair at a great financial saving, a campaign of ticket selling will be the method used to determine the most popular young lady. Season tickets are good for admission at any time during the fair and can be used as many times as the purchaser desires.

In order to have a wide appeal the prizes are such that the fortunate winners may take expense paid trips to either of Oregon's greatest celebrations or may choose something more tangible as proof of their popularity, if they desire to select the diamond ring or the gold wrist watches. Every girl who enters the contest and disposes of at least 15 season tickets will be rewarded for her efforts with a season pass to the Columbia county fair.

Thousands of people attend the fair each year several times and pay the regular admission charge, when they could secure a season ticket in advance of the opening, and avoid all waiting at the gate and use this ticket as many times as they wished and save money by doing so. It is to give these persons an opportunity to secure season tickets that this contest is being put on.

In another section of this paper is an entrance blank and explanation for those who wish to enter the contest. Season tickets will be sent to each contestant, who will be supplied with additional ones when the first supply is sold. Wise contestants will get an early start and sell these money-saving tickets to their friends and acquaintances at once. The time of the contest is short as it closes on Monday, September 10. Everyone has an equal chance. The county has been divided into five main groups and each girl may choose the town nearest or in which she lives. Several contenders will be at work in each town, but all have an equal chance to win the grand prize Round-up trip. Officials of the Round-up and the Oregon state fair will co-operate to make the visit of the winners one of pleasure and entertainment. Each local commercial club or civic organization should select its candidate, as there will be much valuable publicity attached to having a city's most popular girl in attendance at either of Oregon's big celebrations. An attempt will be made to have motion pictures taken of the winners.

The handsome jewelry prizes of the diamond ring and the five gold wrist watches will be placed on display locally a little later, but it behooves each girl to make an immediate start in this popularity race. Turn at once to the display advertisement and entrance blank in this paper and send in your name and secure the first assignment of season tickets at once. Every candidate who sells a minimum of only 15 tickets will be well rewarded with one season pass to the Columbia county fair. Any girl in Columbia county can think at once of 15 persons who will buy a season ticket, and save money by doing so. Get busy now.