

Vernonia Eagle

C. Messing and Business Men Thank those Who Fought The Fires

Buy a Ticket To the Firemen's Dance Saturday Evening, Legion Hall

Two Firms New B'd'g. This Week

Both Firms Have Sale And Demonstration Columbia Building

New Columbia Building Is Completed



Vernonia Market & Grocery To Open Up Friday; Mellinger Saturday

Into their quarters at the new Columbia building, the Mellinger Hardware company and Vernonia Market and Grocery the latter of which, William Culver is proprietor, will move this week and be settled and open for business by Friday and Saturday.

Clarence Nance Is Injured At Koster Camp Last Saturday

Clarence Nance, employed by the Koster Products company at camp, was injured Saturday morning when a log struck his left leg severely bruising it and causing a few broken blood vessels.

Kiwanis Field Representative Now In City

Ernest L. Lucas, field representative of the Kiwanis international arrived in this city Monday, to survey the field in anticipation of forming a Kiwanis club in this city within the near future.

To Build For Penny Soon

J. C. Penny will open a store here March 1 as the assertion made by R. B. Early yesterday, to a reporter of the Eagle.

Misses Bobby Laird, McClincy To Start Cafe in New Quarters

Misses Bobby Laird and Edna McClincy, who after taking over the Hollywood restaurant, were burned out, a few weeks later, have secured the quarters formerly occupied by the Thomas store, next to the cleaners establishment, and will open up their restaurant in the next week or two.

W. McDaniels Dies Monday

W. M. McDaniels, aged 68, and well known in this valley died at his home on the Beaver creek road, three miles from this city, Monday evening at 7 p. m. following a long siege of illness which covered a period of several years.

R. B. Early To Start Construction On New P. O. Building Soon

R. B. Early, successful bidder for the federal postoffice building in this city, hopes to start construction on the new building next to the Bafford Plumbing shop this week.

L. Russell Mills Member Of Winning O.S.A.C. Track Team

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Nov. 25.—L. Russell Mills of Vernonia, junior in vocational education at Oregon State college, is a member of the Oregon State cross country team that won the annual meet with the University of Oregon at Eugene last Saturday. This is the fourth consecutive victory for Oregon State.

State Officials Visit Legion

Robert Dillard, state service officer of the American Legion and Harry N. Nelson of Portland, state community officer of the Legion addressed members of the local post at their meeting Tuesday evening.

Sheep and Goat Meet Here December 4th

Through the efforts of H. E. McGraw, president of the Columbia county bankers association, several prominent authorities on the raising of sheep and goats, will be the principal speakers at a meeting in the grange hall Wednesday, December 4, at 7 p. m.

Rainier-Vernonia Cutoff Survey Starts On November 29th

The camp of county surveyors and engineers, numbering 8, under the supervision of County Roadmaster J. W. Barney, have located near the summit, from which work will start tomorrow on the preliminary survey for the proposed Rainier, Vernonia cutoff.

County School Census Shown

The school census has been completed for the year, and with the exception of four districts the census returns have been received from district school clerks.

Repairs Started On Vernonia Mercantile Building This Week

Mrs. Lee Hall, owner of the building which the Vernonia Mercantile is located in, started repair work on the building this week.

Gus Cohen To Open Pool Hall In Old Eagle Office December 2nd

Gus Cohen, proprietor of the Hollywood pool hall, destroyed by fire Friday, before the paper went to press, said that his new place of business will be the old Eagle print shop, which is now being remodeled, and having a new floor laid.

Columbia Utilities To Hold Open House In New Bldg. Dec. 7

The Columbia Utilities company, will hold their opening Saturday, December 7, in their quarters at the new Columbia building.

George H. Sitts, Nehalem Valley Pioneer, Dies At Home Tuesday Morning

Lived in Nehalem Valley For 37 Years; Spending 30 Years at Keasey With Family on Homestead; Failing For Years, Was 81 at Time Of Death

George Henry Sitts, 81, a Nehalem pioneer, having lived in the valley for 37 years, died at his home in this city at seven o'clock Tuesday morning, after a long period of ill health stretching over several years.

George Sitts was born in LaPeer county, Mich., April 16, 1848, and being only a youth of 13 at the outbreak of the Civil war was the only brother of three to remain at home.

December 25, 1876, he was married to the surviving Mrs. Sitts at Goodland township, which was then located in LaPeer county and at this locality a son, who has preceded his father in death, was born.

Mr. Sitts and his wife were baptized in a Christian church in Kansas, 1887, and until the time of his death was a devoted member of the faith.

The Sitts homestead and hotel in 1922 was turned over to their son, who soon later sold the property which contained valuable timber to the East Side Logging company, and Mr. and Mrs. Sitts moved to Vernonia, where their present home is located.

Forever kind, of a sociable character, Mr. Sitts was beloved by all who knew him, and the entire valley where hundreds knew him, mourn his death.

Messing's Opening Saturday, November 30

At the opening of their new store, Saturday, Messing's Hardware company will put on a special sale, featuring Marshall-Wells hardware material, with factory representatives on hand to assist.

Thanksgiving Proclaimed By The First President

Whereas, it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and Whereas, both Houses of Congress have, by their joint committees, requested me "to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by offering them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness."

Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies and the favorable interpositions of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty which we have enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one newly instituted; for the civil and religious liberty which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in general, for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of nations, and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our National Government a blessing to all the people by constantly being a Government of wise, just and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed; to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations (especially such as have shown kindness to us) and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and, generally, to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best.

G. W. Ford Replaces Reithner On County Budget Committee

Unable to serve on the county budget committee, due to the illness of his assistant at his store, C. W. Reithner, has made arrangements with the county court, to have G. W. Ford of this city serve in his stead.

District 47 School Meeting Tomorrow

A school meeting for the legal voters of school district No. 47 of Columbia county will be held tomorrow, November 29, at 2:00 p. m. at the Washington school for the purpose of discussing the estimated budget recently published in this paper, of levying a special district tax, and to vote on the proposition.

Mrs. F. Godwin Dies, Portland

Mrs. Frank Godwin, 31, died at St. Vincent's hospital, Portland Tuesday evening, after an illness covering a period of several weeks.

May Approve Milk Ordinance At The Next Council Meeting

At the next council meeting, December 2, a milk ordinance will be submitted to the mayor and council for their approval covering dairies selling milk and cream in the city of Vernonia.

Benefit Card December 18

The Vernonia Boxing Commission through its matchmaker Earl Shay have consented to stage a benefit smoker December 18th for the American Legion.

Three Knockouts Feature Last Saturday's Smoker Here

Two knockouts and one technical knockout, featured the boxing card last Saturday evening at the Legion hall, at the first card presented by Earl Shay, the new matchmaker.

Illustrated Lecture At P.-T. A. Meeting December Second

The Parent-Teachers association will sponsor an illustrated lecture Monday, December 2, at the Vernonia high school. The lecture will deal with the ancient American civilizations, and special attention will be given to the legends and traditions of the aborigines concerning the ancient worship.

Firemen Hop On Saturday

Our fire fighters, members of the Vernonia volunteer fire department, who so creditably displayed their ability to handle a critical fire situation, will sponsor a dance, this Saturday, November 30, at the American Legion hall.

Many Firms Wiped Out To Re-open

Total Loss Estimated At \$45,000

Insurance \$26,500

According to figures received, the estimated insurance carried on buildings and contents, destroyed by the fire early Friday morning is \$26,700, while the total loss is estimated at \$45,000.

A few facts about Vernonia's worst fire, The blaze was discovered by Marshal Harry Phelps, at 2:00 a. m. in the Hazelwood pool hall, the local fire department responding to the alarm, seven minutes after, in which time progress had been made by the flames in developing additional buildings.

On hand several minutes later, Judd Greenman, the Oregon American fire crew and members of the night shift, arrived, assisting battling the flames.

At 2:30 o'clock the entire Stewart block of buildings, which housed the Folger Drug store, Baker's place, Wally Reed barber shop, Hazelwood Pool Hall, Hazelwood restaurant, Mrs. Handley gift shop, Gordon Furniture company, Essie Nance beauty shop and the offices of Judge P. Hill and the building housing the Howell and Cline Furniture company, were on fire and considerable damage was caused to the Hall building, which is occupied by Vernonia Mercantile company.

In the rear of Judge Hill's law office, sat two barber chairs, why they were there no one knows, however, no insurance was carried on the chairs, and the Judge shows little worry or concern, and the story leaks out that, many, many years ago, some barber handed the Judge a bum hair cut, this was during the days when the Judge was out courting, and so wrathful did the judge become that he socked the barber in the eye, and walked off with his two chairs.

All has been covered by the city papers regarding the fire, and what interests local folk now is when those who suffered losses, are planning to start up in business in this city again.

Present reports are that William Folger will open up a drug store shortly in the space formerly occupied by the Horse-shoe cafe. Gordon Furniture to start in the building which the Vernonia Market and Grocery vacated tomorrow, Mrs. Essie Nance, to open up her beauty establishment when suitable quarters can be obtained.

Lloyd Baker is still undecided as to locating again in Vernonia, with Gus Cohen of the Hazelwood pool hall to locate in the old Eagle print shop.

The proceeds of the dance will be used to purchase a new fire siren, a much needed equipment in this city, and it is hoped that sufficient support will be given the dance Saturday evening so that a large portion of the purchase price which is \$140 will be cleared.

The best music obtainable will be secured for the evening. Each year the department holds an annual dance, but owing to the immediate necessity to replace the present siren with one which can be heard in every part of the city, the members decided that now would be the proper time to give their dance.

A large advance sale of tickets assures the boys, a good attendance, but it is predicted that the largest number ever to purchase tickets at the door, will pass through this Saturday, to give their support to the fire fighters.

Vernonia post of the American Legion at its meeting Tuesday evening, took up a collection for the Red Cross, of over \$10, which was presented to Mrs. Chris Niclar, membership chairman today.