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J. C. Lindley President of Local C. of C. Goal 100 Members

Extensive and Constructive Program Is Planned For 1930

The new board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce held an election of officers Friday, electing J. C. Lindley, president, Judd Greenman, vice president, A. L. Kullander, treasurer and Lee Schwab, secretary.

Joe Scott who served as secretary during 1929 resigned unable to devote time from his business for this work and was commended by the directors for his efficient work during the past year.

While the chamber at the present time has 60 members in good standing, an extensive drive will shortly be launched to enroll 100 members.

A regular meeting will be held today at the Terminal cafe.

City Council Hear Report of Park Board. Pass Milk Ord.

At the regular council meeting held at the city hall Monday evening, the mayor and council, after hearing a report on progress made by a member of the Chamber of Commerce towards Vernonia receiving city mail delivery, went on record as approving a small appropriation to be applied in getting missing street signs replaced.

The city of Vernonia water department submitted its annual report which showed \$13,891.70 as the total amount collected by that department during the year of 1929.

Mrs. Judd Greenman, secretary of the park board, submitted a report from the park board, at the last meeting during December which called for an expenditure of \$385, the amount left to be expended for improvements during 1929.

Mrs. Greenman told the council that the board wished all cars to keep off the park property and on account of the gates leading to the park entrance having been destroyed several months ago, the board has seen fit to engage a man to install posts several feet apart across the property line, to keep cars from driving over the terrace in the park grounds.

Work re-inforcing the bank along the stream, building a rustic cabin near the Camp Fire cabin, laying walks and having equipment made for the playground is some of the work contracted for by the park board.

The council approved and passed a milk ordinance which will be known as ordinance 176 and covers all dairies who sell their products in this city.

Vernonia Wins First League Basketball Game Friday From Clatskanie; Play Rainier Next

Winning their first scheduled league game Friday evening from Clatskanie, the Vernonia high school hoopers fought every second of the game against a team evenly matched with the exception of speed and won from the Tigers by a score of 37 to 30.

Berg, Bush, George, Adams and Hieber brilliantly and traditionally fought hard for Vernonia high throughout the entire game and Coach Austin with an ample supply of good subs on hand, ready to spring into the battle at a moment's notice, had no occasion to substitute for any of the regular players.

In reserve were Bennett, Lee and Culbert, all dependable and capable players.

The local team, the first to score, displayed splendid teamwork throughout the first quarter. The playing of George as center was exceptionally brilliant in this period of the game.

The first quarter of the game ended with a score of 11 to 4 in favor of Vernonia.

Finley, as center for Clatskanie, was the outstanding star for the Tiger team and the threat throughout the entire game.

Mickelson, Sirmio, Erickson, Kyro and Finley composed the Clatskanie regulars with Ellertson and Brown as subs.

In the second quarter of the game, Clatskanie made her strong bid for winning and piled up four baskets in swift time, also gaining points on fouls called on local players, until during one portion of this quarter the

New Owners of Power Company Plan Much Construction

The Oregon gas and electric company, successors to the Columbia Utilities company will make no change in its personnel announced G. W. Ford, superintendent of the Vernonia plant.

C. Y. Bowers, new head of the light company, plans on considerable extension and construction work branching out from the Vernonia plant.

The new owner of the power company, whose headquarters are at Tacoma, where he is vice-president and general manager of Washington Gas and Electric company, plans to visit Vernonia next week to inspect the property and plant and consult his local representative.

H. E. Veazie Tax Collector

H. E. Veazie was appointed deputy sheriff last week following the resignation of E. R. Fitchner. Veazie has been deputy county clerk for the past ten years.

Mrs. J. W. Hunt will temporarily fill the vacancy left by Veazie's transfer to the sheriff's department.

County court is now in session and will announce further appointments in next week's issue.

Large Crowd Attends New Year's Party At Birkenfeld Gym

Birkenfeld, Jan. 4—A crowd estimated at 260 were present at a party given here in the school gymnasium New Year's eve where entertainment and dancing were enjoyed.

Record Crowds Inspect Ford Body Changes

Hundreds visited the Crawford motor company showrooms December 31 to Jan. 5 to view the much advertised notable change in body designs of the Model A Ford.

While no change was made mechanically, many new features such as wheels, color and additional room for occupants of car proved the most attractive changes.

On the first day, December 31, Tom Crawford estimated 337 visiting his showroom and inspecting the change of body designs in the Ford car.

200 visitors were present Jan. 1, 260 Jan. 2nd, 190 Jan. 3rd, 135 Jan. 4th and 50 Jan. 5th.

According to these figures, it is estimated that 1142 persons interested in the changes announced, inspected the car on display, many coming from Mist, Timber and other neighboring towns.

TO GIVE CARD PARTY
Mountain Heart Rebekah lodge, No. 243, will give a card party, Jan., 24th at the I. O. O. F. hall.

December continued to show increases in new families and their purchases of land and equipment in Oregon, according to W. G. Ide, manager, state chamber, whose report shows 59 new families who purchased 6082 acres of land as against 22 families who purchased 2012 acres in the same month in 1928.

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Letters and pieces of literature sent to prospective families totaled over 75,000.

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To Play Basketball Here Saturday

Vernonia Hi-basketball team will play the Longview Y. M. C. A. team here at home this Saturday evening.

The Y. M. C. A. team is composed of former school players and ranks high as a worthy opponent.

Rainier met defeat from St. Helens Friday evening by a close score of 13 to 19 and judging from the low scores this was a hotly contested game.

The same line up of Bush, Berg, Adams, George and Hieber are scheduled to start the game tomorrow.

The game will start at 7:30 or 8:00 p. m., and most of the cars will leave here around 6:00 p. m. bound for Rainier.

Minister Who Occupied Pulpit In Vernonia 36 Years Ago Now Holding Gospel Meetings Here

Preached the Gospel Between Vernonia and Jewell; Traveled by Horseback and Foot; Old Church At site Now Occupied by Cherry Tree Apartments

Returning to the city after an absence of 36 years, the interim since he occupied the pulpit of the Evangelical church in Vernonia Rev. P. W. Launer is home again, this time to conduct a series of gospel meetings at the Evangelical church.

His church in 1893 was located on the site now occupied by the Cherry Tree apartments with the parsonage opposite and for two years the Rev. Launer held services for those sturdy pioneers many of whom he met again upon his return, among them are Aunt Sally Spencer, Charlie Mellinger, Mrs. Judson Weed and others.

At Mist, Pittsburg and as far as Jewell, on horseback and many times walking, Mr. Launer would hold religious services, when he first came into Naleam alley, 36 years ago. During this period he and his congregation built the old tabernacle along the creek.

He remembers the Nehalem Journal, the first paper published in valley which issued its first sheet 40 years ago and was considered one of the most excellent newspapers in this section of the country.

His congregations which will have the opportunity of listening to him during his stay, may outnumber his congregation of 36 years ago, several times, and while Vernonia is now a small industrial city, he cherishes those friends made in the valley at the time of the virgin timbers of old and his long, lonesome rides to his nine different churches located between Vernonia and Jewell.

School Boundary Board Officially Approve Uniting of 3 districts

The Columbia county school boundary board at its first meeting of the new year last week officially approved the joining of the Mist, Natal and Vernonia districts as a united high school district.

Reithner's and Miller's To Close At 6 P. M.

Effective Monday Jan. 13, Miller's mercantile store and Reithner's store will close their places of business at 6:00 p. m. week days with the exception of Saturday.

A number of the grocery stores and meat markets are closing at this hour and it is hoped that all other stores with the exception of drug and soda and candy stores will fall in line and agree on the general closing time for week days at 6:00 p. m.

Oregon Gains Many New Families In 1929

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Miss Edna McClincy And Walter Siefert Married Here Monday

Miss Edna McClincy and Walter E. Siefert were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Christian church Monday evening January 6th.

Mrs. Siefert is a part owner of the New Hollywood restaurant.

M. S. Stafford of Portland was arrested on First avenue Saturday by Marshal Phelps for breaking glass on the walks. Giving \$15.00 bail until his trial the accused man failed to show up and forfeited his bail.

Ralph McClure of Kelso was arrested in this city last week charged with beating a board bill at Kelso. Dora Heath, managing a boarding house in Kelso filed the charges.

City Recorder Gives Report Collections During Year 1929

Judge D. B. Reasoner, city recorder, presented to the mayor and city council Monday evening at the council meeting his annual report of 1929 of monies collected through the recorder's office. Following is the report submitted by Judge Reasoner:

Fines, \$1877.50, occupation tax 2094.95, plumbing license and permits 66, peddlars and miscellaneous 560.37, dog tax 74.50, total general fund 4,673.32.

Sewer No. 1 bond lien, 767.81, sewer No. 1 interest 294.07, sewer No. 2 bond lien 858.04, improvement district No. 290.04, improvement district No. 1 bond lien 523.32, improvement district No. 1 interest 225.88, improvement district No. 2 bond lien 461.36, improvement district No. 2 interest 145.61, improvement district No. 3 bond lien 997.07, improvement district No. 3 interest 441.97, improvement district No. 4 bond lien 441.51, improvement district No. 4 interest 188.80, improvement district No. 5 bond lien 545.35, improvement district No. 5 interest 202.77, improvement district No. 7 bond lien 1001.22, improvement district No. 7 interest 287.69, improvement district No. 8, bond lien 1185.68, improvement district No. 8 interest 686.27, improvement district No. 9, bond lien 122.58, improvement district No. 9 interest 69.79, improvement district No. 10 bond lien 117.53, improvement district No. 10 interest 53.87, improvement district No. 11 bond lien 634.16, improvement district No. 11 interest 186.33, total \$15,410.87.

Alvin L. Parker Marries Corvallis Girl Saturday

A wedding of interest to Vernonia folks occurred at Corvallis January 4 when Miss Mae M. Monroe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Moore, and Alvin L. Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Parker, were married. Rev. G. W. Plumer of the Evangelical church of Vernonia officiated.

The wedding was a quiet affair attended only by the immediate families.

The bride, who was attended by Miss Freda Buckley, was attractively gowned in a period frock of pale blue georgette and net over coral satin. She wore a wreath of orange blossoms in her hair.

Veldon Parker, brother of the groom, acted as best man.

After the ceremony, luncheon was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mrs. Parker cutting the beautiful wedding cake.

Mrs. Parker graduated from Oregon State college in the class of 1927, where she majored in home economics. For two years she has been home economics teacher at the high school at Halfway, Ore.

Mr. Parker was educated in the Vernonia schools and completed his education at Oregon State college, graduating in the class of 1927, in the school of forestry. He has been in the employ of the government forest service since his graduation.

The young couple, after a short honeymoon, will make their home in Alturas, Calif., where Mr. Parker has supervision over timber sales in the Modoc national forest.

Annual Meeting Of Christian Church To Be Held Sunday

The annual meeting of the held Sunday and friends and members are invited to attend, where the work for the new year will be outlined.

First Christian church will be

Wish To Start A Naturalization Class

Professor Wilkerson, head of the local high school, has offered his services to teach two nights a week free and another attempt will be made this year to organize a school for aliens who wish to become American citizens.

Every man or woman living in this vicinity who is not an English language and is assisted in getting their naturalization papers, will be given free instructions, and helped in every way possible.

Last year a small tuition fee was charged to pay expenses for the teacher and books and several appeared unwilling to pay the tuition, however another attempt to start a class will be made and those interested should get in touch with Prof. J. W. Wilkerson or L. Schwab.

John Wardle And Friend Open Winter Sports—Crater Lake

John Wardle of this city and his friend, Edward Greene, of Chiloquin, were the first to visit Crater Lake on skis this winter, so are credited with opening the sport season at that point.

The boys also visited the water edge and on the lake climbed to the top of phantom ship. Government officials say this is the first time anyone has ever climbed to "phantom ship," during the winter time.

Classified Ads Get Results

Throughout the year many who have inserted classified ads in the Eagle expressed their appreciation of the wonderful results obtained, and reasonable rates charged.

Locally what better agency could one wish than the classified column of the local paper to advertise that which one may wish to sell, buy or want.

Reaching nearly four out of every five homes in the city, with a circulation outside of the city limits nearly as large as its list in the city, the Eagle offers its classified advertising rates for 25c the first insertion, not to exceed 25 words, each word over, 1c additional, with a charge of 15c for succeeding insertions.

Almost everyone reads the classified ads.

Program for Mist, Natal Students 3 Districts United

Prof. Wilkerson for Faculty And Neil Bush For Students Extend Welcome

Before the assembled student body Wednesday afternoon at the local Union high school, all students from the Mist and Natal districts attending school were honored with a special program which consisted of addresses by Professor Wilkerson and others.

The consolidation of the Natal and Mist districts with Vernonia for a united high school district not alone meant additional students for this city, but a high type of students much desired," said Mr. Wilkerson.

"I am very happy and pleased that these two districts have joined with Vernonia and have always liked those students from Natal and Mist who attended here," said Professor Wilkerson in closing his address.

Neil Bush, president of the student body welcomed the Mist and Natal pupils in behalf of the students, recalling that many on the honor rolls were from these two districts and that they also have taken part in athletics and all school activities.

Miss Grace Condit also extended a welcome to the honored students, saying that the consolidation would mean a better cooperation and understanding between all three districts.

Miss DeRock, in behalf of the Natal and Mist students thanked the faculty and students for their hearty welcome which dated not from the time of the consolidation but when the students from Mist and Natal started attending high school in Vernonia several years ago.

Always wish to be a part of V. H. S., always proud in its athletic achievements, fond of the head of Vernonia high, Miss DeRock said the students were equally glad to become a unit in the consolidation.

J. C. Lindley, president of the Chamber of Commerce, welcomed the students from the Natal and Mist districts. He recalled the 56 vote cast here every vote was favorable towards the consolidation which fully explained the attitude of the voters of Vernonia towards the Natal and Mist districts.

Mrs. Hammock and Professor Levi Austin also gave short talks towards welcoming the students as members of the Union High school district.

House Numbers And Sidewalks Must Be Placed Before Mail Delivery Can Be Received

Postal delivery service is practically assured if the few minor requirements are met as required by the postoffice inspector in his report to Postmaster Messing. At the regular meeting of the city council it was voted to complete the placing of approximately twenty-nine street signs and the construction of three cross walks, which will be all of the work required by the postal department. It is pointed out by Mr. Messing however, that only about 80 percent of the house numbers are installed and the placing of house numbers by the patrons will be necessary in order to secure the service. Persons requiring numbers will be required to apply to City Recorder, D. B. Reasoner, for the number appropriate for their house. It is also pointed out that the placing of numbers is required under the provisions of the city ordinance which has not been rigidly enforced to date due to the fact that no delivery service requiring the installation of numbers has been initiated. In order to avoid confusion in receiving mail it is suggested that patrons should notify any persons writing to them through the Vernonia office to address their correspondence to street and number addresses to insure prompt delivery. Although deliveries are required to use diligence in delivering all mail addressed to patrons at Vernonia, they are not compelled to deliver mail to street addresses that are not specified in the address.

It is also required that each patron in order to receive his or her mail at a street address shall have installed a house box which is not required to be of any particular design or construction. The inspector stated however it would be much better if boxes were installed of a uniform type which could be obtained at either of the Vernonia Hardware dealers at a price of not over fifty cents.

Although it is estimated that the delivery service will start by April 1st, 1930, the house mail boxes should be purchased until the date of delivery is actually determined by the postal department. Senator Charles Mc-

Winema Grange At Birkenfeld Largest Membership County

Birkenfeld, Jan. 4—Winema Grange located in this town, has the largest membership of any grange in Columbia county and during 1929 except to further increase its membership.

Walter Carl, one of the best known men in the Nehalem valley, president of the Nehalem Valley Pioneer association, is master of the Winema grange.

Pythian Sisters, K. of P., Joint Installation

A joint installation of new officers for the local Pythian Sisters and Knights of Pythias was held Wednesday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall, with one of the largest attendance in years.

Many who were not members of either organization were invited to witness the installation and following the event, entertainment was furnished by the Pythian lodge and refreshments served.

Arrest Several In Raid Here

Two federal, one state officer and deputy sheriff Calhoun raided the upstairs apartments of the Carter building occupied by O. H. Hollingworth, December 31 who was arrested for the possession of moonshine and many empty pint bottles and taken to St. Helens where he was lodged in the county jail until his trial.

The raid which was staged near 7 p. m., was in charge of a federal official, who directed two officers to climb from the woods in back of the building, through the window on the second floor, with two going up the stairs demanding admission.

Information from Sheriff Weed stated that Hollingworth attempted to destroy the intoxicants by emptying them into a bucket of sheep dip which was kept handy for that purpose.

Hollingworth has been arrested several times in the past year on a similar charge.

During the evening, the officers raided the home of George Terrian, located two miles from Vernonia who was arrested in possession of moonshine. This is Terrian's third offense.

Prof. J. B. Wilkerson Re-elected Head Of Local High School

At a meeting held last week by the board of directors of the Union High school, Prof. J. B. Wilkerson was re-elected superintendent of the local high school receiving a three year contract.

Professor Wilkerson also received an increase in salary which makes his wages equivalent to that of other superintendents of high schools in Columbia county.

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