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Recorder, Mayor Offer Resignations

No Action Is Taken Upon Conditions They Propose

Mayor J. E. Tapp and Recorder D. B. Reasoner proffered their conditional resignations to the city council Monday evening, but no action was taken.

Mayor Tapp submitted the agreement for resignation as follows:

"I, the undersigned mayor or councilman of the City of Vernonia, Oregon, do hereby tender my resignation as mayor or councilman of the said City of Vernonia, Oregon, to take effect immediately, provided, however, that the tender of my resignation shall not be binding upon me unless the mayor and each of the four councilmen of the City of Vernonia, Oregon, tender their resignations from their respective offices, at the same date of this instrument. Respectfully submitted this 15th day of February, 1932."

Recorder's Resignation

Recorder D. B. Reasoner also read his resignation as follows:

"On condition that the Mayor and councilman resign en bloc this date I will agree to submit my resignation to the newly elected mayor and councilmen as soon as they are elected by the people and duly qualified.

"Respectfully submitted, D. B. Reasoner, City Recorder."

Members of the council examined both documents but made no comments. Mayor Tapp's signature had already been affixed to the document proposing his own and the council's resignation.

Election Plan Suggested

Dr. W. H. Hurley appeared before the council and presented a proposed ordinance providing for election of mayor and councilmen by vote of the people should there exist at any time a less number of councilmen than the number that constitutes a quorum.

The purpose, Dr. Hurley explained, was to provide for an emergency in view of the impending recall, for if as many as two of the council should be recalled no quorum would exist, and it would be impossible to fill vacancies, pay bills or transact any of the business which devolves upon the council. He therefore suggested for their consideration the proposed ordinance, explaining that he was not in any sense attempting to dictate a line of policy.

The ordinance conferred upon the city recorder, or in his absence or inability to act, the city treasurer, the power of calling an election to fill vacancies when there was not a sufficient number of councilmen.

Plan Ignored

Several of the councilmen betrayed irritation at the suggestion made to them, one remarking that they had not called for any outside assistance and declaring that if left alone they could solve their own problems. Another objected to "being jerked about like a fish."

The proposed ordinance was laid on the table by unanimous vote.

F. E. Malmsten Chosen

In the early part of the meeting the resignation of Ray Charlesworth, who had left the city, was read and accepted. F. E. Malmsten was thereupon elected to fill his place, and was sworn in, taking his seat at once.

Clerk Discussed

The matter of water clerk was informally discussed, Recorder Reasoner explaining that he was acting under advice of counsel in having absolutely nothing to do with the collection of water rents as long as ordinance 181 stands as it does. No action was taken.

In order to meet with city

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Bicentennial Anniversary



George Washington 1732-1932

E. E. YEO GETS NEW POSITION

E. E. Yeo, pharmacist for Mac's Pharmacy for a number of years, has secured a position with the Harding Drug company of Oregon City, and began his new duties Monday.

Mrs. Yeo and the children plan to move next Monday.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Yeo have been prominent in fraternal and social circles in Vernonia. Mr. Yeo being senior warden of the local Masonic lodge, and Mrs. Yeo taking an active part in the Eastern Star, Study club and Evangelical Missionary society and other organizations. She was also local correspondent for Vernonia Eagle and two Portland papers.

Mrs. Wm. H. Smith Passes Suddenly

Mrs. William Homer Smith of Treharne died February 11 from a stroke of apoplexy after an illness of only a few hours.

Her maiden name was Daisy May Shattuck. She was born in Mineral City, Ohio, in 1869, and at the time of her passing was 62 years, 8 months and 27 days old.

She was married to Mr. Smith in 1897. To this union five children were born, four of whom survive and are now living in Vernonia: Harold Smith, Leonard Smith, Mrs. Waunita Holt and Mrs. Lois Schmidlin.

Services were held Monday in Brown's undertaking parlors, with F. Claude Stephens in charge. Interment was in Hillsboro.

More About Aunt Sally's Sleigh Ride

Aunt Sally Spencer, when shown the article concerning the sleigh ride printed in last week's issue commented as follows:

"Yes, I did have an old-fashioned sleigh ride and it was LeRoy Malmsten that took me. If the snow had not melted so fast he would have taken more of the young girls out sleigh riding. He knew that I was an old-fashioned girl and he thought he would try his new sleigh out with me and his sister and her husband and little nephew, Lawrence Knauss. "He drove to a place where my mind went back many years ago and I said, 'Here is where I was at a wedding many years ago. They were married in the woodshed all decorated up, for the little house would not hold all who were invited.'"

Aunt Sally states that Oral Spencer was her daughter, not son as given in last week's issue, and the mail carrier's name was Hacker.

VETERANS HAVE BONUS CHANCE

Oregon veterans who have not taken the loan and who wish to do so at this date may take advantage of the cash bonus, according to word received yesterday from the office of District Attorney John L. Foote.

Further information may be obtained by writing to Marie Walker Poff, care of district attorney's office, St. Helens.

Following is a summary of the bonus allowed veterans from different states:

OREGON: \$15.00 per month, or \$300.00 maximum loan. Time limit for either extended to June 30, 1945. This form of paying bonus is considered as one of the best methods used by any state.

ILLINOIS veterans are entitled to \$0.50 per day for every day in the service after April 6, 1917, maximum payment \$300.00; veterans must have served two months to be eligible. Payment made to nearest relative in case veteran is deceased, or full \$300.00 if death occurred while in service.

KANSAS is paying \$1.00 per day. Time for filing expired January 1, 1932, but the 1931 Legislature provided for an additional 90 day period in which to file. All Kansas men should act at once.

MAINE: \$100.00 bonus. Period for filing extended to January 1, 1933.

NEW JERSEY: \$10.00 per month with no time limit mentioned.

NEW YORK: Final date for filing expired July 1, 1927, but there has been an extension of time granted and eligibility granted to relatives of deceased veterans. \$10.00 per month is paid with maximum set at \$150.00.

NORTH DAKOTA: This state pays her Veteran sons at the rate of \$25.00 per month and final date is set as January 1, 1933.

SOUTH DAKOTA: \$15.00 per month, maximum \$400.00, and an additional appropriation of \$12,000.00 was made by 1931 Legislature, and any Veteran of South Dakota who has not received his bonus should make application at once.

VERMONT: \$10.00 per month, maximum \$120.00. No time limit, but does not apply to commissioned officers.

WISCONSIN: \$10.00 per month and still paying.

PENNSYLVANIA: The Legislature of Pennsylvania will vote in 1933 on a bill providing for \$10.00 per month with maximum payment of \$200.00 to be allowed. Watch papers for further announcements.

MARYLAND Has a bill pending outcome of coming election.

A leap year dance is to be given at Natal grange hall February 27. Supper will be served by the home economics committee and music will be furnished by the Sundland-Berg orchestra.

EMPLOYMENT OF OREGON TEACHERS ONLY IS URGED

Employment of Oregon teachers only in filling vacancies for the coming year is urged by C. A. Howard, superintendent of public instruction, in a circular to Oregon officials. For the year ending August 31, 1931, 265 teachers for other states secured Oregon teachers' certificates, he says. 18 are in Columbia county, Elizabeth C. Murray, county superintendent, reports.

While Supt. Howard is not suggesting dismissal of these teachers to make places for others he points out that every time a school board elects a teacher from outside the state an Oregon man or woman will be left without employment.

GRANGE FAVORS COUNTY FAIR

A Columbia county fair sponsored by the Pomona and subordinate granges of the county was endorsed Saturday night by Vernonia grange.

E. H. Condit was elected secretary in place of C. C. Van Doren, resigned.

Elton L. Smith and Ray D. Fisher were initiated into membership.

ODD FELLOWS INSTALL OFFICER

Arthur Stockton was installed as vice-grand of Vernonia Lodge 246 Tuesday, February 9. He was ill at the time of the regular installation January 19.

At that time the other officers, headed by G. G. Holt, noble grand were installed.

Chiropractor To Open Practice Here

Dr. Ruth M. Coon of Centralia, Washington, is opening as a chiropractor at 994 Bridge street, next to Mossman's confectionery. The room is being remodeled for the purpose. Dr. Coon expects to have it in readiness for beginning practice Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Taylor and Mr. Jerry left this week for Portland where Mr. Taylor will attend the Benkhe-Walker business college. They are not moving to Portland but will stay there until Mr. Taylor finishes his course.

Federals Have Firm Hold On First Place in Ball Series

INDOOR BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Pct.
Federals	3	0	1.000
Legions	2	2	.500
Teachers	1	2	.333
Outlaws	1	2	.333
Athletics	1	2	.333

Legions 13, Outlaws 12
Federals 21, Teachers 19
Athletics 27, Legions 11

Well, they're still up there and with no losses behind their name. Who? Why, the Federals, of course. They've won three and lost none and consequently have a very firm hold on first place as their closest opponent, the Legions, have already lost a pair of games.

The most exciting contest of the season was the game between the Legions and the Outlaws, wherein the service boys won the game in the last half of the ninth inning by pushing across two runs in a wild finish. The Outlaws couldn't figure out how they lost and after it was all over were seen standing around with blank expressions on their faces. The ump finally had to tell them the game was over and to go home and be consoled with the short end of the 13 to 12 score.

The Outlaws started off at the first of the game as though they were headed for another victory

as they rang up a run in the first inning, three in the third and two in the fourth. During all of this time the best the Legion boys could do was to push a marker across in the third frame. However, they tore loose in the fifth and in a wild rally counted seven times. They added three more in the sixth but were held scoreless in the following two innings. When they went into the last half of the ninth they were one run to the bad. It looked dark for the Legionnaires as Malmsten was bearing down in great style in order to stave off defeat. However, Hodges and Nanson both got hits and proceeded to score on outs by Holtham and Cole.

Nanson, with four runs to his credit, was the big scorer for the Legions while Thomas was their big star in the field, pulling down several line drives that were tagged for base hits. Welch led the scoring for the "Bandits" with four tallies while Malmsten and Buffmire performed well afield.

The score by innings follows:
Outlaws 103 202 112—12
Legions 001 073 002—13
Batteries: Malmsten and C. Buffmire; Cole and Holtham.
Federals 21, Teachers 19
In another exciting and close match during the past week the Federals defeated the Teachers Tuesday evening 21 to 19. There was a large delegation of fans on hand to witness the fray, and

BEDDING NEEDED

The Community Chest has need of warm bedding and will appreciate the donation of any surplus bedding that Vernonia people have to offer.

The Chest is grateful for the hearty response to its appeal for a child's bed last week. They were able to supply the need immediately and had at least five offers. "You can't say the Eagle doesn't get results" said a committee member in commenting.

DESPONDENT MAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Tom Gibson attempted suicide at his home Thursday morning by slashing his wrists, abdomen and other parts of his body with a razor. He bled profusely, but did not sever an artery.

Mr. Gibson lives alone. He was discovered by neighbors sitting near his stove, and a physician was summoned.

He was removed to a hospital in Portland in the afternoon, weak from loss of blood.

TEMPLE GIVES FIRST PINS TO PAST CHIEFS

Past chief's pins, which had never been given by Vernonia temple, Pythian Sisters, until one was presented this year to Mrs. Harry Culbertson at a recent installation of officers, were presented at the lodge meeting last week to Mrs. N. S. Soden and Mrs. M. D. Cole, who have held that office in previous years.

The formation of a Past Chiefs' club is also contemplated for the near future.

Another activity of Vernonia temple is a contest among members for the purpose of creating added interest and efficiency in the work of the order.

RAY CHARLESWORTH LEAVES

Ray Charlesworth has obtained employment in the mill at Toledo, and began working there Monday morning.

The family will remain here at least until school closes, Mr. Charlesworth says, and when the mill reopens here he plans to return.

PHEASANT PENS TO BE ERECTED

According to Lester Sheeley, secretary, members of the Nehalem Rod and Gun club are to take up a proposition of the Oregon state game farms for stocking young pheasants in this locality. According to conditions offered by the game commission pheasants will be supplied at weaning age and feed furnished provided the local club constructs holding pens and cares for the birds until released.

The cost of building the holding pens, according to the state game commission, should not exceed one dollar a bird, and the club expects to raise the money without difficulty. The pens are built to last 10 years or longer.

FAMILY IS ILL FROM POISONING

The J. Ornduff family, who live on the Timber route, were acutely poisoned Wednesday morning from some unknown source.

All took ill within an hour after eating breakfast.

COUNTY CHAMBER DIRECTORS MEET

In his report to the board of directors at their meeting held in St. Helens February 12, Secretary Barney Garrett of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce gave a summary of the activities of the office since January 26, the date of the annual meeting.

There had been 106 letters received in that time and 240 letters sent out. There were 69 incoming telephone calls and 79 visitors at the office. Five cars were registered for out of state motorists. Secretary Garrett also reported that he had attended 16 meetings with organizations and committees during that period.

Two principal topics occupied the attention of the members of the board. A discussion of logged off land centered about a talk given by County Agricultural Agent George A. Nelson. He outlined a tentative plan for people going on this type of land which is to be worked out in more detail before any concerted action by the county organization will be undertaken.

The other topic was that of membership and financial support for the organization. President Wist pointed out that it is imperative that more support for the organization be gained immediately. To this end he appointed H. E. McGraw of Vernonia and P. M. Bewley, St. Helens, to work out some plan for securing adequate financial support if possible.

The present officers of the organization are to continue until such time as there is a report on the membership plans by the appointed committee.

HIGH SCHOOL TO PLAY TWO GAMES THIS WEEK END

The high school basketball team will play two games home over the weekend.

Friday night the Pacific University freshmen will tangle with the locals at the Washington grade school gymnasium at 7:30, and Monday at 7:00 the two St. Helens teams will appear and play a double header. The last contest will be a league game.

FORMER RESIDENTS VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tyrone of Burns, who were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Holcomb, are staying in Portland temporarily while Mr. Tyrone is under medical care at the Veterans' hospital.

The Tyrones are former Vernonia residents having moved to Burns from here last September. Their children are staying with friends while Mr. and Mrs. Tyrone are in Portland. Evelyn is in Burns and "Sonny Boy" is with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Nicar in Coquille, Oregon.

Recall To Be Voted on February 27

Petitions Against Councilmen Filed Saturday Afternoon

Election upon the proposed recall of Mayor J. E. Tapp and Councilmen E. W. Holtham, T. A. Gordon and B. J. Cline will be held at the city hall February 27, from 1 p. m. to 7 p. m.

Petitions Filed
Petitions for the recall of the four councilmen were filed Saturday at 4:40 p. m. At the meeting of the council Monday night Ray Charlesworth tendered his resignation on account of removal from the city, leaving the three others to be voted upon.

Reasons Given
Reasons given on the petitions for recalling the councilmen are that they are inefficient in the performance of their duties as councilmen, that they have failed and neglected to live up to and comprehend the duties of councilmen and have refused to consider the desires of a majority of the electorate of the city, and have exhibited gross ignorance of the duties of councilmen, particularly with reference to the passage of ordinance 181, "one of the worst exhibitions of ignorance of the basic principles of city government."

Board Designated
The city council at an adjourned meeting Tuesday night designated J. C. Henderson, chairman, Frank Rogers, judge, Lillian Hansen, Lois Thayer and Grace Miner, clerks, to serve on the election board.

The petitions for recall of Mayor J. E. Tapp were filed Thursday morning, February 10. 83 names are required to make a petition valid, according to Judge D. B. Reasoner. The petitions for recall of the mayor and councilmen all contained many more than the required amount.

Card Party Scheduled
The Rebekahs will give a public card party tonight. There will be tables for five hundred and bridge.

Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

When Doc Cole wants any heat in his office he goes down stairs into Soden's barber shop and backs up innocently to the radiator. Soon the boys begin to wonder why the growing chill in the room.

Some of our prominent young sportsmen, including Tommy Batesman, Jack Bush and Shorty Kullander, are starting a House of David team. The first installment already adorns their lips.

"Tim" showing Bill Van Doren and others how to uproot a pole at George Johnson's corner . . . A half dozen skis resting against a locker in the post office . . . Emil Messing, J. C. Henderson and C. F. Hieber earnestly discussing Boy Scout work after listening in on the scrap at the city hall Monday night . . . Ray Charlesworth buying a wash tub to take with him to Toledo.

Big scoop for the Early Bird this week; McGraw coming down town before eight o'clock.

Mrs. Washburn in front of bank saying "Good Morning." Tam, the Light and Power dog, late to work.

Jack Perry coming in with the city's milk supply.

Albert Childs wondering where all of his help is.

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