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Dairying Is Feasible Says Agent

Nelson Tells Chamber of Commerce About Advantages

The dairy industry is one that should be built up here, declared County Agent Geo. A. Nelson at the chamber of commerce meeting in the Masonic temple Wednesday noon. This region is particularly well adapted to it, Mr. Nelson believes, because there is a climate and a soil that will produce any of the feeds used in the coast districts.

There is the opportunity here of developing logged off hill lands for grazing in connection with the valley lands, he declared. These hill lands if properly seeded will provide a lot of good pasture. Seeding, he said, should be done at this time of year.

Marketing Problem
A meeting to discuss the proper development of lands to get the top market price will be held in Vernonia March 8 or 9, Mr. Nelson announced.

He stated that the Nehalem valley is in an exceptionally favorable location for selling lambs at the highest prices because of the possibility of rushing them to the Portland market before the price has a chance to fall.

Commission Discussed
J. E. Kerr told about the change in personnel of the state highway commission, and stated his belief that the new commission would work in harmony with the governor's policies in economy. Mr. Kerr asserted that he did not consider the change as diminishing Vernonia's chances of getting the highway.

Hatchery Situation
Lester Sheeley reported that the bills for appropriating \$50,000 for the establishment of a fish hatchery on Rock creek are still in committee in the house and senate, and that he had been promised word as soon as are reported out.

Several Visitors
Visitors present were Miss Lucille Hildreth Smith of the Universal Producing company, L. R. Chandler, county roadmaster, B. O. Garrett, secretary of the county chamber of commerce, G. C. Webb and W. R. Kincaid of the state fish and game commission.

Gilbert Bergerson Is Awarded Honor

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—(Special.)—Gilbert Bergerson, Vernonia, has been named on the national collegiate honor roll in track for his put of 48 feet, 2 1/2 inches in the shot put against University of Washington last spring.

This honor roll is made up yearly by the National College Athletic association and lists all outstanding achievements and records made in intercollegiate competition in the United States.

Bergerson will report to A. L. Stiner, varsity track coach, for practice in the shot put as soon as basketball season is over.

Bergerson will be a candidate for the United States Olympic games in the shot, according to Coach Stiner.

Hearing Held On Telephone Rates

A hearing on telephone rates was held in the city hall last night, with H. J. Barber, plant superintendent of the West Coast Telephone company at Forest Grove in attendance, besides representatives from the Natal, Nehalem and Rock Creek Telephone companies. Representing Vernonia's interests were the city council and members of the telephone and power committee of the chamber of commerce.

ASSERTS PROGRESS IN COUNTY RECALL

According to the Rainier Review, considerably over one-half the required number of names have been secured for the petitions for recall of the county court, and the rest, it believes, can easily be obtained by April 25, the day on which the petitions must be filed if the election is held on May 20, primary election day.

The Goble-Beaver Homes section, Warren and Fern Hill are reported to have signed the recall petitions almost unanimously, the Review says.

A recall meeting is scheduled to be held in the Mist school house Saturday evening, February 27, at eight o'clock.

County Chamber Getting Results

Definite results of the work of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce in its land settlement work are beginning to show. Floyd C. Watson has purchased a piece of property in the vicinity of Rainier and will move on and start improving his place about March 1. Another man from Iowa is in the county and looking about for a suitable place. He has money to invest and is favorably impressed with this county. There are others who plan to come to this county as soon as weather conditions are more favorable.

Another work that has been carried on through the office of Secretary Garrett has been the investigation of a company to manufacture chlorate explosive powder. This company is in process of organization and will most likely locate its plant in Columbia county.

Secretary Garrett and County Agricultural Agent George A. Nelson were present at the meeting of the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce Wednesday noon and discussed plans for development of the Nehalem valley section.

Prospective purchasers of mint oil have been put in touch with producers of this county through the office of the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce.

First Calf Club Formed Wednesday

The first 4-H Calf club in the upper Nehalem valley this year was instituted Wednesday by George A. Nelson, county agricultural agent, in the Beaver creek school. Mrs. Erma Chance, the teacher, is leader. She has had experience in 4-H work in Tillamook county.

Officers elected were Victor Jablonski, president, Jack McDonald, vice-president, Charles Holt, secretary.

Members, besides the officers, are William Reynolds, George Holt and Ambrose Schmidlin. The name Beaver Creek Calf club was adopted.

TRUCKS COLLIDE

While J. L. Timmons was responding to the alarm on O-A. hill Monday his truck collided unavoidably with that of A. L. Armstrong of the Union Oil company at the corner of Bridge and Second streets.

The force of the collision hurled "Tam," Mr. Timmons' police dog, who was riding in the rear of his truck, upon the tank of the oil truck but he was not hurt.

Damage was done to the fenders and motor of Mr. Timmons' truck, and to the frame of the oil truck. The oil truck could not be started and had to be towed to Portland.

TRAIN SCHEDULE CHANGED

The United Railways company has announced a change in schedule, the trains arriving at Vernonia at 9:15 a. m. daily except Sunday, and leaving at 10:25 a. m. The change will go into effect February 28.

Times of leaving and arriving Portland are 6:15 a. m. and 1:25 p. m.

Teachers Win and Lose; Outlaws Win, Legions Lose

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Federals	3	0	1.000
Outlaws	2	2	.500
Legions	2	3	.400
Teachers	2	3	.400
Athletics	1	2	.333

During the fourth week of the indoor baseball schedule the Teachers both won and lost a game while the Outlaws won one and the Legions lost one. The victory for the Outlaws moved them up to second position within firing range of top place while the loss on the part of the Legions shoved them down a notch and into a tie for third place with the Teachers. The Federals and the Athletics did not alter their positions as the game scheduled for last Friday between these two clubs was postponed until a later date because of conflicting engagements.

The game last Thursday between the Outlaws and the Teachers was a one sided affair which the former won 26 to 11. Most of the Teachers failed to put in their appearance, so the shortage in their ranks was made up from players of the Federal and Athletic teams. This makeshift lineup had not worked together enough to put much opposition for the Outlaws.

The "Bandits" had two big innings when they rolled up seven runs in the fourth inning and nine in the sixth. The most the Teachers could collect at any one time was three which they did in the fourth and the ninth. Malmsten was the leading run getter for the Outlaws with six markers to his credit while Spring did the heavy stick work for the Prof's, collecting three runs for his efforts.

The score by innings:
Teachers 110 320 013—11
Outlaws 420 729 20x—26
Batteries: Tucker and Austin; Malmsten and Buffmire.

In Wednesday evening's game the Teachers put on a reversal of form and downed the Legions without much difficulty 22 to 5. They played a wonderful defensive game, holding the Legions boys scoreless in all but two innings. These were the first when they scored three runs and

Small Children Set House Afire

Fire supposed to have been started by small children playing with matches in the bath room gutted the house of Oscar Graves on the O-A. hill Monday noon.

The doors and windows were open, and the draught fanned the flames so rapidly that the family, who were all at home, were barely able to escape. They managed to save the fruit out of the basement, but the furnishings upstairs were all destroyed.

There was \$500 insurance on the furniture, \$2500 on the house, and \$150 on the garage.

The O-A. fire department put out the fire. The whole inside of the house was destroyed but it is possible that the studding may be saved.

Former Teachers Are Heard From

A card from Wallace McCrae, coach, last year, for the local grade school athletics, was received this week by Mrs. E. B. Miner. Mr. McCrae is attending Willamette university this year and coaches a team of athletes from one of the Salem state schools. He had his team in Berkeley, California, when he sent the card.

Mrs. Miner has also heard recently from Wilfred Thomas, who taught in the Washington school for two years preceding the current one. Mr. Thomas now has a position in the Lebanon schools.

the sixth when they added a couple more for the sum total of their efforts. In contrast to their appearance last Thursday, the Teachers showed up nearly 100 per cent for the Legion game and showed what they really could do when and if necessary. The Prof's scored in every inning except the sixth. Their biggest merry-go-round was the fifth when they counted seven times before they could be subdued. Ray Mills and Tucker carried away the scoring honors for the evening, grabbing off five runs apiece. None of the Legion boys scored more than once and as the score indicates only five of them scored one run apiece.

As this goes to press the Outlaws are battling with the Federals in an effort to knock them off the top rung of the ladder. Tonight the Athletics hook up with the Legions again and next Tuesday the Athletics take on the Teachers.

The score by innings:
Teachers 133 170 214—22
Legions 300 002 000—5
Batteries: Spring and Mills; Cole and Van Leo.

LEGION SHOW IS DATED

Members of the American Legion, Vernonia Post 119, are now busy making plans for the coming of the big army comedy "Corporal Eagen" which is to be presented on March 8 and 9. The cast is composed entirely of local people and for the entire production will use 150 people of Vernonia. The Legionnaires know this is quite an undertaking and are all on their toes to make it the biggest affair ever put on here by the Post.

The story of "Corporal Eagen" centers around Red Eagen, an Irish soldier boy, and his Jewish buddy Izzy Goldstein. These two rookies have been in camp only 30 days and think they know all there is to know about war. The show portrays one funny situation after another and gives two hours of good laughs. In addition to the play proper there is an awkward squad, drilled by the headboiled sergeant, a men's singing chorus, all in white sailor suits, a girl's singing and dancing chorus, a minstrel, and in fact everything that is needed to give variety, laughter and pleasure.

This show has been given with unusual success in many neighboring towns and nothing is going to be left undone to make it an even greater success here.

Taking part in and promoting and seeing the show is going to give a great number of the people of Vernonia a chance to forget old man "Depression" and have a good time for two weeks.

The production is being put on by the Universal Producing company and coached by Lucille Hildreth Smith.

Local committees appointed by Commander J. E. Kerr are: cast committee, Dr. M. D. Cole, Connie Anderson, J. L. Timmons; ticket committee, Earl H. Washburn; publicity, John Brady; pageant, Mrs. Harry Kerns; property, Harold Mayfield.

Anniversary To Be Commemorated

In honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, Vernonia lodge 184, A. F. and A. M., will sponsor a program this evening at 8 p. m. in the Masonic hall for members of the Masonic and Eastern Star lodges and their friends.

An address on "Washington as a Mason," written by Judge Wallace McCamant, will be presented by Dr. W. H. Hurley. After the address a social time will be enjoyed.

Mrs. Rose Fletcher made a business trip to McMinnville a week ago Saturday and returned the following Wednesday.

THE NEED FOR A CHANGE

This newspaper believes that in the origin of the controversy, both mayor and council were at fault. The deadlock never should have happened.

In the progress of the controversy the mayor put himself in the right by offering to resign and leave the question to a vote of the people.

The council, on the other hand, put themselves in the wrong by refusing to consider any terms of resignation, whereby there could be a clean slate and a harmonious administration that the people, and not they themselves, should choose. The majority should rule.

H. M. SALT DIES IN HILLSBORO

H. M. Salt, formerly of Vernonia, dropped dead of apoplexy February 16 while eating supper at his home in the Delta building, Hillsboro. Services were held in Boise, Idaho, February 20.

Mr. Salt was born in Toronto, Canada, August 8, 1880. While in Vernonia he operated a photograph gallery next to the old post office on Third street. In 1928 he moved to Hillsboro, where he had continued in photography work.

Mr. Salt is survived by his widow, his father, Major Salt, and two brothers in Toronto.

Help Promised For Game Pens

Assistance of an employee of the state game commission in erecting the holding pens projected here has been promised in a letter received Tuesday by Lester Sheeley, secretary of the Nehalem Rod and Gun club, from the state game farms.

Mr. Sheeley received also a sketch of the plans for the pens. The commission requires 50 square feet to a bird, allowing room, at the size contemplated, for 225 birds.

The pens, according to the specifications, will be about seven feet high, surrounded and covered by poultry netting. On one end is a shed, boarded, and one of the sides is to be boarded all the way up, leaving one end and one side boarded three feet up, the rest to be netting.

The state game farms agree to furnish birds to the capacity of the pens for ten years, and to supply feed until they are released.

The location has not been determined as yet, but one in town is favored, Mr. Sheeley states.

ENDEAVOR TO SPONSOR COMEDY

"On Love's Trail," a three-act comedy, is to be given at the Joy theatre March 2 under the sponsorship of the Christian Endeavor. The purpose is to raise funds for payment of the pledge to the Wildwood Christian Endeavor union.

Prominent characters are two comedians, Vida and Freddie, the tell-tale brother and sister of Ione Burke, who is poor and proud but not proud of being poor.

One deception begins a series of strange happenings. Freddie develops an odd malady, and a pretty "nurse" and doctor" add to the comedy.

ROY NELSON LEASES HALL

Roy ("Swede") Nelson has leased the I. O. O. F. floor for Saturday night dances, having taken over the management from the Three Link club. In addition he has rented a hall at Columbia City and is conducting dances there.

Mr. Nelson is extending every effort to build up patronage from the country districts and the camps as well as from town, and his dances are receiving very encouraging support.

HAS HIGH FLAG POLE

Beaver Creek school has a flag pole 232 feet high, all in one piece. It is supposed to be the highest in the state, and was hewn from a natural tree where it stands.

BISHOP TO PREACH HERE

Bishop George Edward Epp, D. D., of Cleveland, Ohio, will preach at the Evangelical church next Tuesday evening at 7:30.

"Mr. Epp is a wonderful speaker and every one should hear him," declares Rev. G. W. Plumer, pastor. "It is not often that we get such a man as he is to come to Vernonia."

Recall To Be Held Tomorrow

Three Different Views to Find Expression At Polls

The recall election on Mayor J. E. Tapp and Councilmen E. W. Holtham, T. A. Gordon and B. J. Cline will be held tomorrow at the city hall from 1 to 8 p. m. The time of closing, originally designated as seven o'clock, was extended to eight when it was found that an amendment to the charter specifies that time.

Issues Complicated
Issues are complicated, a large group of people believing that both mayor and council should be voted out for the sake of future harmony. Others sympathize with Mayor Tapp and are backing him, while a vigorous and determined group are putting forth every energy to retain the councilmen but recall the mayor.

Committees from both sides have been busy at work laying plans, and a record vote is expected.

VISIT HOME FOLKS

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McGraw and family spent Sunday and Monday in Banks at the home of Mr. McGraw's parents.

The elder Mr. McGraw's birthday happens to be February 22, hence he was named George W. McGraw.

Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

We'd like to know what that sealed report of Mac, Shorty and Lode is all about.

Our local Vic Meyers (only a much cleverer politician) performed a new stunt at chamber of commerce luncheon Wednesday. He picked up the Masonic mascot cat and flopped her over in a neat somersault, much to the discomfiture of the esteemed president, who was trying to be serious.

We'll expect Mac some day to perform, like Vic, a Gandhi stunt with a milk bottle and a sheep, but no winding sheet or less (we hope), and certainly no day of silence (whether we like it or not).

Now that the Legion is putting on a play, there is understood to be heavy popular demand for repetition of Shorty's dancing girl act.

Jack Kerr was afraid for a while that the chamber of commerce meeting would consist of St. Helens visitors, with a Vernonia onlooker or two, but the crowd came pouring in after a while. The boys were all down at the creek watching the fish slide from their Pullman into the water.

—SEEN HERE AND THERE—

The fire boys hosing off the last of the snow from Bridge street . . . Ed Holtham celebrating spring by leaving his coat off . . . Mrs. Washburn coaxing Skinny to mind the office while she goes out to lunch.

OBSERVATIONS OF THE EARLY BIRD

Emil Messing getting an early start for the postoffice . . . Mrs. Simmons on the run up the street . . . Dan Cason looking for a job . . . R. M. Aldrich taking his time getting to work . . . Ed Holtham opening up later and later every morning . . . Chas. Rich sweeping the snow off the sidewalk . . . The county trucks going through town making lots of noise . . . Bill Nissen getting to work late. [What is the matter Bill?]