

# Vernonia Eagle

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## Lowering of Water Rate Requested

### Amendment of Beer Law Is Considered Also

Appointment of a committee to compute the cost to the city water department of supplying sufficient water for irrigation purposes this summer, and a resolution favorable to modifying the beer ordinance so as to allow its sale in pool rooms, were the outstanding features of an adjourned meeting of the city council Tuesday night.

Recorder C. F. Hieber read a petition bearing 300 names for reduction of the water rates to \$1.50 for a minimum of 3,000 gallons, 20 cents per thousand gallons for the next 10,000 gallons, and 15 cents per thousand gallons for all over 13,000 gallons; also for a flat rate of ten cents per thousand gallons for all over the minimum of 3,000 gallons for irrigation purposes during the garden growing season. The present rate is \$2.00 for 3,000 gallons and 40 cents per thousand for the next 10,000 gallons.

Dr. M. D. Cole asked the privilege of speaking in behalf of the petitioners. He explained the need for sufficient water this summer for gardens, particularly for about 60 families who have received seed loans from the R. F. C. It is possible, he asserted, that 4500 gallons, the amount allowed for the minimum rate for irrigation purposes during the summer, "might be enough for a cabbage head or two," but the average garden will need a great deal of water. "It is impossible to pour water into a garden and see two-thirds of it evaporate at the present rate," he declared.

Councilman Veal admitted a great need for water for irrigation purposes, but pointed out that many water users have no meters, hence there is no way of checking up on what they use, and those that have meters are forced to pay for those that do not.

There was some discussion as to the additional cost of pumping extra water for irrigation purposes, and Lester Sheeley suggested appointment of a committee to investigate and report.

Councilman Johnson interposed the objection that any reduction in rates would mean added taxation and would allow transients who do not own property to escape without paying their share to the city.

Mr. Sheeley declared that if it was not possible to lower the minimum without impairing the city's obligations that at least there should be sufficient water allowed for irrigation purposes at cost to the city.

Councilman Sandon moved that the mayor appoint a committee of competent men to figure out the costs of supplying additional water, and report to the council. The motion carried.

Mayor Owens thereupon appointed C. S. Hoffman, Dr. M. D. Cole, and Ray D. Fisher as said committee.

### Pool Question Raised

Lester Sheeley appeared for E. H. Washburn, who wished a permit to dispense beer. Mr. Washburn spoke also in his own behalf, declaring himself willing to pay the \$100 license required and to comply with all the regulations imposed if he should be allowed to keep his card tables and pool tables, without which he could not successfully operate.

Councilman Sandon declared that he saw no reason why the request should not be granted. "If anybody is trying to run a straight business in conformity with federal law why should we be so narrow minded as to exclude him?" he asked.

Councilman Veal suggested that they take a vote as to whether the ordinance should be amended

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## Pythian District Convention Held In Rainier Apr. 13

The district convention of the Knights of Pythias, comprising the St. Helens, Rainier and Vernonia lodges, was held at Rainier Thursday night, April 13. The fortieth anniversary of the founding of the Rainier lodge was celebrated at that time. Grand Chancellor Barnes and other grand officers were in attendance and put on the work, four candidates from St. Helens receiving the rank of page.

A large number of visitors were present from different parts of Oregon and Washington. Attending from Vernonia were Earl Smith and N. S. Soden.

## Mrs. J. Greenman Entertains Club

### Study Group Members Are Guests At Luncheon

Mrs. Judd Greenman entertained members of the Study club at a one o'clock luncheon preceding the regular program at her home Thursday afternoon, April 13.

Czechoslovakia was again the program topic. Mrs. M. D. Cole described the arts and crafts of the Czechoslovakians, all of whom are natural artists. She passed colored pictures of their embroideries and other crafts. Examples of their art crafts were also displayed by members during the roll call.

Mrs. Fred Wall read a paper on "Czechoslovakians in the United States," describing their characteristics, problems and accomplishments. Election of officers for the coming club year will take place at the next meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. E. E. Garner, April 21.

Attending the luncheon and program were the following: Mrs. C. W. Reithner, Mrs. M. D. Cole, Mrs. G. E. Finnerty, Mrs. E. J. Douglass, Mrs. A. C. Knauss, Mrs. E. A. Green, Mrs. A. J. Hughes, Mrs. Fred Wall, Mrs. H. V. Holcomb, Mrs. E. S. Thompson, Mrs. Dave Marshall, Mrs. E. E. Garner, Mrs. L. H. Dewey, Mrs. Ray D. Fisher and Mrs. Greenman.

## Memorial Plans Made

### Women's Relief Corps Invites Veterans and Families

Preparations for Memorial day were discussed at the meeting of the Women's Relief Corps yesterday at the I. O. O. F. hall. It was decided to invite all G. A. R. families and veterans of the Spanish war, and families and veterans of the world war to meet at the hall with their baskets and enjoy a dinner and program after services at the cemetery.

The relief committee reported 28 visits to the sick, five bouquets and \$43 relief to the needy.

The meeting was held in the afternoon following a pot luck dinner at noon. 16 members were present.

## ROCK CREEK SCHOOL IS HOST TO PLEASANT VALE SCHOOL MONDAY

### RIVERVIEW — (Special.)

Monday afternoon the Rock Creek School was host to the Pleasant Vale school and its teacher, Miss Ruth Holaday, at a jolly post-Easter party. Games and contests provided the amusement, after which a lunch was served by Mrs. Mabel Graves the Rock Creek teacher. Those present besides the pupils of the two schools were Mrs. A. Krieger, Mrs. T. F. Keasey, Mrs. Clarence Reed, Mrs. D. B. McDonald, Miss Zella Cady of Portland, Bobby Reed, Evelyn Krieger, Marvin Krieger, Barbara Keasey, Ralph Keasey, Miss Holaday and Mrs. Graves.

Several of the local teachers are planning to attend an educational conference at Monmouth this weekend.

## Homemakers' Day Set

### Event to be Held April 25 in St. Helens Methodist Church

The third annual county homemakers' day will be held in St. Helens, on Tuesday, April 25, in the First Methodist church, at 10:30 a. m. This day of program planning is being arranged by Mrs. Sarah V. Case, home demonstration agent, who is expecting a large attendance for the day. A pot-luck lunch will be served at noon. Every community that is interested will send representatives to this program planning day.

This division of the extension service has met in 19 communities of the county during the past year and has encouraged the "live at home" idea. Through the projects in clothing, food preservation and home management many of the families of Columbia county have benefited.

These projects will be discussed as part of the 1933-34 program as well as those concerned with child care and training and recreation. The recreation unit, which has been active during the past winter will have a portion of the day as a demonstration of the possibilities of home play and recreation, as well as recreation for larger groups.

At this meeting too, the annual election of the county executive committee will be held. This committee is made up of seven women from different parts of the county, who confer with the home demonstration agent and act as an advisory committee in the administration of the office. The present committee is Mrs. A. M. Winn, chairman, Chapman; Mrs. Chas. Beach, secretary, Rainier; Mrs. J. G. Watts, Scappoose; Mrs. L. J. Wegner, Goble; Mrs. E. E. Garner, Vernonia; Mrs. J. L. Stora, St. Helens; and Mrs. T. C. Morris, Clatskanie.

## Grange Officers Instruction Is Given At Natal

NATAL—(Special.)—A grange officers' training school took place in the Natal grange hall last Friday with Winema and Vernonia granges in attendance. In addition to instruction and degree work under State Deputy Arthur Brown a lecturer's program was given. Officers from the three granges all did their parts. After the meeting the ladies of the home economics committee served refreshments.

On April 12 Natal grange held its regular business meeting. Jim Hill and Noble Dunlap were appointed to assist Secretary Ira Peterson in the advertising campaign. The grange also selected a committee of three to investigate relief work. It also went on record as approving the purchase of butter instead of oleomargarine for state and community relief purposes.

## PARTY OF FISHERMEN HAVE TO LEAVE SPEEDER ON ENCOUNTERING SNOW

R. M. Aldrich, Harry Kerns, William Reed, Arch Miller and Martin Hillman, forming a fishing party up Rock creek Sunday, encountered an inch and a half of snow at the L-P. camp, and had to leave the speeder on which they were riding. The trees were white with snow at Keasey, they report.

## HIGH SCHOOL HAS RADIO

A radio has been installed in the Vernonia high school for use when programs of benefit and interest to students are on the air. It was bought by Supt. J. B. Wilkerson from his own funds.

## LOCAL LABOR EMPLOYED

Four local men, C. R. Van Alstine, F. J. Tousley, John Ellis and Norman Green, comprise the crew working under Paule Galle and Son, contractors, in remodeling the Miller Mercantile company's store.

County Agent Geo. A. Nelson visited farms in this locality yesterday.

Officer Ray Howard of the state police was in Vernonia yesterday.

## All Day Track Meet Is Planned For Grade And High Schools

An all day track meet, beginning with a dual meet between Clatskanie and Vernonia high schools followed by grade school tryouts for the county is planned for Saturday, April 29. Coach Ray Mills will be in charge of the high school entries and Paul Gordon of the grade school.

## GEORGE FORD, UTILITY MANAGER, VISITS HERE DURING WEEKEND TRIP

George W. Ford, former manager of the Oregon Gas and Electric Co. in this city and now manager of the Columbia Utilities Co. at Klamath Falls, visited friends here Sunday and Monday.

He left Klamath Falls Saturday, stopped over night with Bodie Hieber and Neal Bush in Eugene, and reached Vernonia Sunday afternoon. He was a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kullander, and Monday noon had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Timmons, leaving for Longview in the early afternoon. On his way back he took in the opening game in Portland Tuesday.

While Mr. Ford likes Klamath Falls he is still loyal to Vernonia.

## Meeting Of Unemployed Is Called For Saturday Evening At Legion Hall

Unemployed men who are interested in employment are requested to meet at the Legion hall tomorrow night at 7:30 p. m.

## Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

A red-headed woman caused a big commotion in the Miller Mercantile store before business hours Friday morning.

Elster Williams driving by shortly after 5 a. m. heard the store's burglar alarm sounding, and notified Marshal Earl Smith, who had just turned in after going off duty. The marshal speedily arrived on the scene while the alarm was still clanging away, and couldn't figure how the culprit got in or how he himself would get in to catch the culprit. In the meantime L. H. Dewey, store manager, arrived breathlessly, dashed in as soon as he had unlocked the front door—and discovered the guilty party. It was a red-headed doll that had toppled off the shelf and had fallen upon the wires attached to the burglar alarm.

"Tim" fell off a log up at the power dam the other day, fishermen report, and had to swim out. The fisherman enjoyed it even if "Tim" didn't.

Guy Mills passed himself off as Teck to a reporter in St. Helens last week. The change of identity would have got by fine if the reporter hadn't called Teck a former mayor of Vernonia.

## SEEN AND HEARD

George Ford's cheerful countenance as he greets old friends. . . his Flying Club parked in front of Mike Miller's. . . and his Boston bag resting on the Gas and Electric office floor. . . Jim Brown perched on top of a step ladder as he prunes a tree on his parking. . . Doc Eby dancing a jig while Tommy Bateman pushes a car off his foot. . . "X" Ray, bearded and tanned, back from prospecting. . . More Culver equipment loading to go to Medford. . . Tables from Mary Kato's piled in the rumble seat of Jack Bush's coupe. . . Earl Smith lining up merchants to close for clean-up day. . . Hy-Van at council meeting claiming a sore throat was enough, without beer in his hotel. . . An assortment of log flats, long in storage at Keasey, passing through en route to Portland. . . Ben Cline in his shop at 3 p. m., an "At lunch" sign still posted on his door. . .

## Loan Period To End

### Crop Production Applications Must Be Filed Now

"Only a short time is left in which farmers may make application for crop production loans," County Agent Geo. A. Nelson announced April 13. "The lending period of this federal agency will close April 30 and all applications must reach the Minneapolis regional office by that time to receive consideration. Farmers who wish to apply for loans should do so at once," said Mr. Nelson.

Assistance in preparing applications is furnished free of cost. In fact the law forbids any charge except for notarial fees being made in connection with an application.

The loans this year are limited to a maximum of \$300, and the regulations further require borrowers to reduce their acreage of certain cash crops by 30 per cent under that grown in 1932, except those who farm limited acreages. The regulations provide a fine up to \$1,000 and imprisonment up to six months for material false representations made to get a loan.

A loan may not be approved for the amount applied for and if it is reduced the proper reduction will be made on the forms filled out at the time the application is made. In the event a loan is not approved, the note and mortgages will be returned to the applicant.

As in the past, the borrower must give a first lien on his crops. Loans bear interest at 5 1/2 per cent and are due on or before October 31, 1933.

The regulations make it unlawful for any person to dispose of or assist in disposing of any crops given as security for any crop loan, except for the account of the Secretary of Agriculture. Each borrower must agree to plant a garden for his home use and to plant sufficient acreage to furnish feed for his livestock.

## Condit to Present 8th Grade Diplomas At Exercises Here

E. H. Condit, county superintendent of schools and former superintendent of the Vernonia grade schools, will present the diplomas at the eighth grade graduation exercises here next month, announces Supt. G. E. Finnerty. School districts in the vicinity of Vernonia have been invited to hold joint exercises here.

## FURNITURE AND RADIO STORE TO OPEN THIS WEEK ON BRIDGE ST.

A furniture and radio store to be conducted by Kenneth White will be opened tomorrow night in the Baldwin building on Bridge street, occupied for several years by the Reithner store.

Mr. White will have the agency for several lines of radios and will do repair work, which he will conduct in connection with his Weston service.

## HOLTHAMS AND MCGRAWS OPEN SALEM RESTAURANT

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Holtham and H. E. McGraw opened the Gray Belle restaurant in Salem Wednesday of last week, after redecorating and renovating the interior. Trade received is very encouraging, they report.

Mrs. McGraw and the children will remain here until the close of school. They, together with Leona Hillman and Martin Hillman, will go to Salem for the weekend.

## ARCADIA PARK SOLD

Mrs. Grant Layer of Vernonia has bought Arcadia park from C. S. Shay, and is renovating it preparatory to reopening it in about a week's time.

Mrs. Shay and son Rodney left for Portland Tuesday morning.

## MARY KATO TO LEAVE

Mary Kato closed her chop suey restaurant last weekend, having disposed of most of the furnishings to J. H. Bush for use in his new beer parlor. She intends to leave as soon as school is out.

## Glahn's Place Is Visited by Hiking Club This Week

Henry Glahn's place out Pebble creek was visited by the Hiking club Wednesday evening. "Goolash," bread and butter and coffee were served as the evening meal.

Those participating were Merle Mills, Catherine Hoffman, Veldon Parker, George Rice, Nelle Green, Elma White, Zella Cady, Norman Green, Harold McEntire, Larry Marshall, Enid Bolton, Mildred Drake, Amy Hughes, Marshall Malmsten, Freda Malmsten, Zonweiss Douglass, Della Cline, Charlotte Hiltz, Gertrude McEntire and Charlotte Green.

## Puppet Show Is Given At School

### Is Enjoyed by Large Audience In Auditorium

The puppet show given at the Washington grade school Wednesday evening was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience. The performance was put on by the seventh one grade under the direction of Mrs. Lulah E. Fullerton. The study of puppets, stage construction, scenery, lighting and various other details were worked out in art classes, though the actual operation and rehearsals of puppets were after or before school. The stage was made by the boys, supervised by C. Dustin.

The play given was "Little Red Riding Hood" with the following cast of puppets: Little Red Riding Hood—operated by Esther Froembling; Mrs. Hood (the mother) operated by Cecilia Gough; Grandmother, operated by Mava Williams; Hansel (the woodcutter), operated by LaVon George; The Wolf (the villain), operated by Elmer Michener. The vaudeville part of the program by the puppets consisting of "Old Fashioned Rose," operated by Elizabeth Wall; The minuet—Martha Washington, operated by Bertha Thompson; Geo. Washington, operated by Fred Ervin; The dancing lady, operated by La Verne Thompson; Darktown fun—Sambo, operated by Billie Cane; Rastus, operated by Fred Erven. The two who did the reading were Elizabeth Wall and Wilbur Wridge.

## Senior Play Is Tonight

### Centers about Theft of String Of Emeralds

The curse pronounced upon a string of emeralds supposed to have been stolen from a monastery in India, and the mystery created when this string disappears from its present-day owners, furnishes the plot in "The House of a Thousand Thrills," to be presented this evening by the senior class of the high school in the auditorium of the Washington grade school.

The cast consists of Joy Bush, Louise Whitsell, Edgar Crawford, Dorothy Gwin, Lela Beveridge, Ivan Reed, Marjorie Meeker, Harvey Edens, Clarence Lindsey, Elizabeth Piert and Bob Cline. Supt. J. B. Wilkerson is coach.

## 28 APPLICANTS REGISTER

Twenty-eight applicants had registered up to yesterday afternoon in the office of the Vernonia community chest for enlistment in the federal forest conservation project. The allotment for Columbia county is 42, and based upon relative population it is likely that only four or five will be accepted from Vernonia.

## SEED LOANS COMING IN

Approximately \$6,000 in seed loans is coming into the county, according to County Agent Geo. A. Nelson, and some of the checks are being received now.

C. E. Lasher, manager of the Oregon Gas and Electric Co. was in town Wednesday.

## Stores To Close Today For Cleanup

### Trucks to Carry Away Litter from Parkings

A practically unanimous consent to close from one to three this afternoon for clean-up day was given by Vernonia merchants yesterday to Marshal Earl Smith, who is in charge of arrangements. The schools, however, will not close, as the grade school board deemed such action inadvisable for their school, and the high school could not disburse on account of joint bus service to certain localities.

The services of a Cason truck have been secured, and use of another is likely, Mr. Smith states. Each councilman will supervise the clean-up in his locality.

All litter to be hauled away free must be piled on the parkings or along curbs, sacked or boxed convenient for handling. Garbage will not be accepted, Mr. Smith says. Property owners and tenants are urged to clean up their premises and burn the refuse.

The cooperation of everyone in making the clean-up a success is requested by the city authorities.

## Valley Force Grows

### Three Sides Now Working Along Nehalem Extension

Three sides are now working for the Clark and Wilson Lumber Co. in the Nehalem valley, according to J. F. Baker, superintendent. Two are working opposite Pringle's, and the third at Big Ed's. A skidder crew will soon be on the job also, he says. Including railroad crews, about 75 men are now employed on a side. In all, six sides, 450 men, are working.

## NEHALEM RIVER FISHING GETS NOTICE OF WRITER IN SPORTSMAN'S MAGAZINE

The Nehalem river as a fisherman's paradise is described in the May number of "Outdoor Life," by Ray Trullinger, a sports writer for magazines. The author describes cutthroat trout, Chinook salmon, silver salmon, jack salmon and steelhead that are found in the river.

In the article Mr. Trullinger says, "There may be better water to fish along this beautiful Oregon coast, as a dozen other streams cut through these same mountains and empty into the sea, but we're not particularly interested. The piscatorial resources of this one river will keep us happy and busy throughout the year."

## ANOTHER LOGGING CO. RESUMES LOG SHIPPING

The Bailey Timber Co. of Buxton is resuming operations. A special on the S. P. and S. brought 25 log flats for their use Tuesday, and on the return trip took 10 flats from Keasey to Portland for repairs.

## Legion Auxiliary Members Complete Piecing of Quilt

A quilt was finished by Legion Auxiliary members who met for welfare sewing at the home of Mrs. J. L. Timmons Tuesday afternoon.

Announcement of another benefit pinocle party to be held at the home of Mrs. H. E. McGraw on the evening of April 28 was made.

Mrs. Timmons served refreshments to those present including Mrs. Virgil Powell, Mrs. Shipley, Mrs. J. C. Henderson, Mrs. H. E. McGraw and Mrs. William R. Hammack.