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**REORGANIZATION BEGINS**

News that the reorganization plan of the Oregon-American Lumber company has been approved by a federal court in Missouri is encouraging. Without the sanction of the court resumption of operation would be likely to remain the vague hope that it has been ever since the money gave out and the contract with the Koster Products company for logs was cancelled back in August, 1931. At last something tangible towards reopening has been accomplished.

Despite the fact that a reorganization plan is under way, however, there is temptation to expect too much. Approval by the court does not mean that reorganization has actually been accomplished, and Vernonia residents who expect to hear the early morning whistle blow very soon are likely to be disappointed. Besides, prospective employes who troop to Vernonia in the hope of getting on the payroll shortly are due, in all probability, for a return trip home with no assurance of a job as yet. To carry out the transference of stock and bonds necessitated by the plan, raise the required funds, restore the railroad and logging equipment to a workable basis, and make countless preparations that the general public knows nothing about, all take time.

There'll be waiting for several months to come, probably, but along with the waiting there'll be a reasonable basis for expecting—and that will be something.

Different sections of the state are trotting out favorite sons for Governor-elect Martin's consideration for appointment to the game commission. The Nehalem valley has no candidate of its own—it wants the retention of the present commission, who have conserved and developed the wild life resources of the state

in the interests of true sportsmanship and without regard to petty politics.

Oregon's metropolis isn't so remote from wild life as one might think. A deer wandered one day this week into the yard of an oil plant at Linnton and had to be shooed back into the foothills.

**What Other Editors Say**

**THE CARELESS DRIVER MENACE**

Seventy-nine persons have been killed in Portland alone in automobile accidents in less than a year. The total for the state is much greater than that.

Speed is the chief cause of these wrecks—speed accompanied by liquor and carelessness.

It cannot go on. The toll is too terrible, too gruesome. Too many homes are saddened by tragic death, too many lives are ruined by deformed bodies. Laws with teeth in them and laws that are rigidly enforced, are the only solution to the problem.

Any man who, through carelessness, causes a wreck, should never drive again. The jail sentence for careless driving should be more rigidly applied, and the penitentiary should open for those who kill through careless driving.

Campaigns by the newspapers will do little good. In the first place, the average man or woman who drives carelessly, or who drives under the influence of liquor, doesn't read the papers, and has little decency to appeal to. The campaign must be one of action, not of words, lest YOUR wife, child or parent be the next one who is cut down by some speed demon.

The time for maudelin sympathy for the careless or drunken driver is past. He is a pest that must be abolished.

—Medford News

A Portland communist being tried on a criminal syndicalism charge received a long and fair trial, something different than he would have been up against if he had been attacking the Russian government. A like offense under the Soviet would probably result in a 15-year term in Siberia or immediate execution.

—Hillsboro Argus.

Trouble is that Uncle Sam can no longer cast his bread upon the waters if and when he runs out of dough.

—Weston Leader.

**Ten Years Ago . . . .**

Vernonia Eagle, Dec. 5, 1924.

Our light and power plant has had considerable trouble since Thanksgiving. It hasn't been dependable at all.

Mrs. Christine Erickson of Birkenfeld was killed in an auto accident near Rainier Oct. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nance are making their home in Chehalis, Washington.

W. B. Lappe, wife and daughter of Valsetz moved to Vernonia this week.

Mrs. E. Kullander of Independence spent a few days this week with her son, A. L. Kullander.

Dr. Hughes and mother spent a few days in Portland the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McGraw and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartwick were with relatives at Banks for Thanksgiving.

Albert Childs was in Portland the first of the week with Mrs. Childs, who went for medical treatment.

Saturday afternoon from three to seven is the opening of the Nehalem market.

Eddie Condit returned Thursday from college to spend Thanksgiving.

Miss Gladys Malmsten is back in Vernonia after her operation in Portland.

Miss Hazel Malmsten returned to school in Salem after visiting relatives here Thanksgiving.

**COUNTY BUDGET IS ADOPTED AT MEETING**

(St. Helens Sentinel-Mist)  
 Columbia county's budget for the year 1935 was adopted unanimously at the annual budget meeting held Saturday at the court house. About 35 taxpayers were present.

The amount to be raised by taxation for the year amounts to \$220,219.04, not including state or elementary school tax, compared to \$225,675.76 the 1934 budget called for. The saving amounts to \$5,256.72 over the 1934 budget.

Included on the budget this

year is an appropriation of \$1500 for the county agent's office and \$850 for the home demonstration agent, which were not on the 1934 budget. These items were contested last year. Only \$700 was allowed for the home demonstration agent in 1934.

Emergency fund is \$10,000 for 1935 compared with \$8,000 last year. More is allowed for care of poor and widow's pension in 1935 compared to 1934.

Savings were made in the following items: state accident insurance, county revaluation, bond redemption elections, assessor's office, court house expenses, county court and commissioners, insane examinations and care of patients, health office.

Members of the budget committee included Elmer Dahlgren, Warren; Judge L. R. Rutherford, C. E. Evenson, Clatskanie; J. N. Miller, commissioner, Clatskanie; Bert Mills, Vernonia, and Wm. Pringle, commissioner, Vernonia. The budget was drawn up October 24, 25 and 26.

**EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

Sunday morning subject, 'Faith That Worketh by Love.'  
 7:30 p. m. subject, 'Modern Jordan.'

Young peoples' meeting, 6:30. Miss Johns is the leader.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, is the annual election of church officers, 8 o'clock p. m.

A. N. Glanville, Pastor.

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**Natal**

County School Superintendent E. H. Condit attended the Thanksgiving program sponsored by the teacher, Miss Grace Condit and her pupils at the Natal grange hall on Nov. 28. There was a large attendance.

Mrs. John Thomas spent a week at Salem visiting with her mother and other relatives.

Bert Lloyd Eastman sold Richard Peterson a new Philco radio for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Harding moved up from Jewell and rented Jake Neurer's Natal cottage. Mr. Harding is a truck driver and is employed by Mathews Bros.

Lee Osborn served on the grand jury in November at St. Helens.

J. H. Thomas sold two beeves to the butcher last week, one cow and one heifer.

George Dyer left last week for his home in Castle Rock, Washington, to see his mother, who was very ill.

Mrs. Miller from Jewell spent the week end here with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Harding.

Mrs. Fred Seal spent a couple of weeks in St. Helens with her mother, who has been sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Dunlap drove to Portland one day last week.

Forest Harding picked red raspberries ripe and well flavored last week in his front yard. Jake Neurer has a dogwood tree in full bloom and wild blackberries are in bloom.

Marian Milton spent the week end in Portland with her sister, Mrs. Paul Hartsook.

Norman and Al Berg, Mrs. Julia Whittig and Fred Bush were Natal callers over the week end.

Grover Devine went to work for Mathews Logging Co. on the burn.

Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gillette were Tom and Arval Leisure and George Dow.

Herman Davis came in to gather some Christmas trees for the holidays.

The Oregon Range Riders, who played for a Thanksgiving dance at Vernonia had a mishap on their way home to Clatskanie after the dance. The lights went out and their car left the highway.

The road grader worked for the past week on the Nehalem highway.

The Natal grange members joined the Winema grange for installation of officers on December 3.

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