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Lack of Quorum Causes Delay in Budget Hearing

FEW ATTEND MEETING IN CITY HALL

Matter of Cemetery Project Is to Be Brought up

The budget meeting set for yesterday evening was postponed until next Monday at 8 p. m. on account of the lack of a quorum, only two members of the council and one of the budget committee being present beside the mayor and recorder.

On account of the public interest in the proposed allowance for the cemetery project it was anticipated that a number of taxpayers would attend the hearing to appear either for or against increasing the item to \$1125. The audience, however, was small.

Clatskanie Game To Be Played Here Tomorrow Afternoon

One of the outstanding games of the season is to be played on the local field when the Vernonia "Loggers" meet Clatskanie high school tomorrow at 2:15 p. m.

This probably will be one of the best games of the season due to the fact that last year Clatskanie took the local team for a 20-7 loss and the Loggers are anxious to have the chance of being on the bigger end of the score this year.

Stiff competition will be offered by the opposing team, which is coached by Ira Tucker, and a very good game is forecast.

The condition of the local team is much better as the boys are all in better shape. King, one of the outstanding back field men and Buckner, a strong lineman, will be back in the game after having been on the bench for a time due to injuries.

Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

SEEN AND HEARD

Judge Hieber trying to get his daughter's spaniel to behave . . . Mayor Owens, Walt Kent and Ernie Stacy conferring on the city hall steps . . . Officer Forsyth and a bunch of high school boys examining new mounted specimens in Norris Soden's collection . . . Joe Wangler waving at friends as he drives along Bridge street . . . George Laird driving a coupe just bought . . . Helen Messing back again.

Emil Messing Receives Letter From James Farley

A letter signed personally by Postmaster General James A. Farley was received this week by Emil F. Messing, local postmaster, thanking him for two Vernonia airport dedication covers which Mr. Messing sent him. Mr. Farley stated that he was glad to have them for his collection.

Report of Stage Line Sale Denied by Gronbeck

Reports that the S. P. and S. Transportation Co. has acquired the Portland-Banks stage line are denied by Thor Gronbeck, owner. Mr. Gronbeck has issued the following statement:

Don't be Misled

The Portland-Banks Stage line is in no way affiliated with or sponsored by any corporation or firm whatsoever. It is solely owned and operated by me.

Thor Gronbeck

McCullom Is Chosen President of County Educational Club

I. N. McCullom, grade school superintendent, was elected president of the Men's Educational club of Columbia county at a meeting of the group held as part of the teachers' institute in St. Helens Thursday of last week. He was also chosen as one of the five delegates to the annual meeting of the Oregon State Teacher's association in December.

On Friday the teachers visited different schools. From the Washington grade school Miss Lenora Kizer visited in Hillsboro, Miss Ruth Holaday in Longview, Miss Grace White in Salem and the others in Portland.

BAZAAR DATE IS DESIGNATED

Saturday, November 9, has been set as the date for the bazaar and cooked food sale to be given by Mountain Heart Rebekah social club. The date was arranged at a special meeting of the club called on Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of changing the original date which conflicted with that of another organization.

Cleve Mellinger and Curly Buffmire were among the successful bird hunters Sunday.

Report has been received that Mrs. W. A. Davis, who underwent an operation in a Centralia, Washington, hospital recently, is improving rapidly and expects to return to her home in Portland Sunday.

Ira Mann and F. D. Macpherson attended the dedication of the new Masonic hall in Sandy Tuesday night.

Eugene Shipman is clerking in the post office while O. T. Bateman is away on a hunting trip.

Townsend Club Is Organized At Birkenfeld

Matt Gibson and M. E. Turkington Help to Form Group

Matt Gibson and M. E. Turkington of Vernonia and Henry Young of Hillsboro organized a new Townsend club at Birkenfeld Thursday evening, Oct. 11. They report that 99 per cent of those eligible present signed the membership roll with 100 per cent dues paid at the time.

The organizers have made tentative arrangements for forming one or possibly two new clubs in the Nehalem valley.

Others from Vernonia present at the Birkenfeld meeting were Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Thomas, Mrs. A. E. Adams, Mrs. Dora Washburn and Mayor Ben S. Owens.

Local Club to Meet

The Vernonia Townsend club will hold a special meeting tonight at J. W. Brown's to arrange for financing the expenses of a delegate to the Chicago convention. About \$40 was realized from the food sale last Saturday.

Boxing Season Opens Tonight In Legion Hall

The boxing season will open tonight at the Legion hall with bouts between Joe Magoff and Chet Pettit, Cortesi and Ken Parker, Red Vike and Red Byers, and others.

A fast and exciting contest is promised by the matchmaker, K. H. Cliff.

Astoria Bridge Project Rejected By Government

(Astorian-Budget) Final disapproval of the application for a loan and grant of \$6,374,000 for the building of a trans-Columbia bridge at Astoria has been issued by the PWA at Washington, according to word just received by Mayor J. C. Ten Brook, president, Judge Guy Boyington, secretary of the Oregon-Washington Bridge Board of Trustees.

The notification was sent by Horatio B. Hackett, assistant administrator and said in part, "We are of the opinion that the revenues to be expected from the operation of the project would not provide debt service with a reasonable margin of safety. Therefore, the revenue bonds offered would not constitute reasonable security."

Word has been received from Fred Henderson, who is stationed with the marines at San Diego, that he is making an excellent record on the marines football team and has received high praise from the coach.

DR. HALL TO MOVE INTO OWN BUILDING

Dr. R. I. Hall is remodeling the building at 965 Bridge street across from the post office for use as an office. The building, which he owns, has been vacant for some time. New floors, plumbing, partitions and other alterations essential for a physician's office are being installed. Dr. Hall expects to move in the latter part of the month.

Old Shingle Nails In Good Condition Found in 40 year Roof

Jack McGowan is showing some iron shingle nails free from rust and in the best of condition which he took from a roof of a Gales Creek house while reshingling it last week. The shingles had been in place for 40 years, the owner told him.

Jack Christiansen To Open Furnishing Store on Bridge St.

Jack Christiansen will open tomorrow in the old MacMarr store next to the Paterson Furniture store on Bridge street a men's furnishing store featuring work clothes.

The front part of the room has been partitioned off for a display room. For several days alterations have been in progress to fit the store for its intended use. The first of the stock was moved in Wednesday.

Lodge In St. Helens Celebrates 75th Year

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of St. Helens lodge 32, A. F. and A. M., was celebrated Tuesday night in the Masonic temple in St. Helens. Among those attending from Vernonia lodge 147 were Glen Hawkins, master, Ed. Bollinger, Lowell Hieber, Tom Crawford, George Plumb, Oscar Johnson and Ira Mann.

JOHN L. FOOTE NAMED CHANCELLOR OF STATE PYTHIANS

John L. Foote, St. Helens, was elected grand chancellor of the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, at the joint session of that organization and the Pythian Sisters in Portland yesterday.

Other grand lodge officers were named as follows: Louis Bennett, Lebanon, vice-chancellor; William Schultz, Forest Grove, prelate; Walter G. Gleeson, Portland, keeper of records and seals; A. J. Rose, Portland, master of exchequer; Melville H. Geil, Portland, master at arms; Claude M. Snow, Portland, inner guard; J. B. Long, Rainier, outer guard; Leif S. Finseth, Dallas, supreme representative; Carl Broderson, Forest Grove, trustee.

Tapp Is Named As Member of Budget Group

COUNTY COMMITTEE IS NAMED

Louis Fluhrer and John Foote Are Other Members

J. E. Tapp of Vernonia was named a member of the county budget committee, it was announced Monday. The others are Louis Fluhrer of Mayger, a former county commissioner, and John L. Foote of St. Helens, former district attorney. Mr. Tapp was the choice of Commissioner Wm. Pringle, Mr. Fluhrer of Commissioner Tilden Graham and Mr. Foote of Judge J. B. Wilkerson.

The county court and the budget committee will meet October 24 for a two day session to draw up the budget.

Editorial

EXPRESS YOUR OPINION

Many a street corner discussion has been held the past few days regarding the amount requested by a committee interested in the cemetery project. Some have favored it, others have denounced it as too expensive. Such discussions were natural and spontaneous, but wholly unofficial.

Thursday evening an official discussion of this and any other matter pertaining to the proposed budget was scheduled—and only a handful of citizens attended. As it happened, the discussion was postponed because of lack of a quorum, and the hearing has been set for Monday evening.

If you are interested one way or the other, be on hand and say what you think. If you want the tax increased to provide for the sum asked, say so. If you don't want it, say so. If any other items are objectionable, you have an opportunity provided by law to be heard on the subject. To wait until after the budget is acted upon and then vote against it because some provision therein does not suit is poor citizenship. Budgets can be changed if a sufficient number of taxpayers present at the hearing express their wishes for a change.

It is to be hoped that the adjourned hearing will be attended by a representative audience. To object in time and have a budget that is right is a far better policy than to object later at the polls and have no budget. The city must have a budget of some kind, and the hearing affords the opportunity for making such changes as are desirable.