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Magoff Elected As President of Softball League

Bill Washburn to Be Vice-President; J. Turkington, Secretary and E. Michener, Scorekeeper

Joe Magoff was chosen to organize and lead the Vernonia Softball league for next year. As president of the league he plans to call a meeting May 1, 1938 of all persons or firms who want to sponsor a club or team.

Elected as vice-president was William Washburn. In case of Magoff's absence next year Washburn will become president until the league is under way.

Junior Turkington will continue to function as secretary-treasurer, and Elmer Michener as score keeper.

Plans for the next year formed by the new administration call for six teams.

The league will probably not enter the state association next year due to the inability of the association to provide a satisfactory playoff and the cost of sponsorship.

"Although I hope to return to Vernonia next year," Howard Lee, retiring president of the league said last night, "it might be necessary for me to attend summer school at the University of Oregon to complete teaching requirements. However if I am here I will assist in getting softball started."

Stacker Shed Wins

The Oregon-American stacker shed gave the Legion team the worst beating yet received this year, to win the Vernonia softball league series championship for 1937. The score at the end of the fifth inning when the game was called off because of darkness was 20 for Joe Magoff's team to one lone run for the kids. Until the game a week ago Tuesday, both teams were undefeated.

The boys' team was unable to stand the terrific onslaught of the stackers, which started at the opening of the game leaving the boys in wild confusion. Scouted for weeks by the stackers the boys fell victim to their own weakness.

The stacker team organized and coached by Magoff was among the last to be formed but came to the front by skillful organization of the players and the development of the spirit of sportsmanship. The defeat of the team by the Treharne Eagles, an unofficial practice game, removed all laxity in the playing and brought the team to victory over the other eight teams in the league.

Honors for sportsmanship go to the shipping department and to the Union Loggers. Both teams

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High School Alumni Leave for College

Five from this year's graduating class of Vernonia high school are entering college this fall. Doris Rae Estey will take a home economics course in O. S. C., Everett Meeker will take the new fish and game course there, Paul Adams and Clare Jarvis will enroll in Pacific university, and Ralph Condit will attend the San Diego state teachers' college.

Elbert Brock and Leon Brock of the class of 1934 are entering the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth. Among the high school alumni who are returning to college are Alice Hoffman, U. of O.; Howard R. Lee, U. of O.; Cathrin Hoffman, O. S. C.; Harold Cason, O. S. C.; Holly Holcomb, O. S. C.; Elmo Aldridge, O. S. C.; Willa Crowder, Reed College, Dave Howard, Oregon Normal and Toshi Kuge, U. or O.

Holly Holcomb left for Corvallis last week in order to turn out for football. Most of the others are leaving this week end.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT IS SET UP IN PARK

Swings from the Washington grade school grounds were set up at the entrance to the city park the first of the week. They are better than the old swings displaced when the athletic field was built on the park grounds, being all-metal.

DELAY IN SECURING PROGRAM POSTPONES MEETING

The evening meeting of the Vernonia chamber of commerce planned for early this month has been postponed because of delay in lining up a program. The entertainment committee, Lyman Hawken, chairman, had secured the promise of two interesting outside numbers, but both participants were unable to come as soon as had been expected.

Feathers . . . and . . . Talons

Looks as though the men who drew up the law about Constitution day for this year let their pencils slip when they excused the children from attending school. What the children will learn about the constitution while romping around the streets isn't much, but what they would have learned about it under proper instruction in school might have been quite a little.

Hank King says he had "competition" when the Portland cops came out here to sell tickets for their dance.

Football Season Opened Saturday On Nehalia Field

The Vernonia High School Loggers opened their 1937 season on Nehalia field Saturday afternoon, facing for the first time a Portland school, and were humbled by the State Champion Jefferson High School Democrats by a score of 40 to 0.

Coach Eric Walldorf's veteran machine wasted no time in scoring. Taking the kick-off the Democrats in five plays climaxed by a 18 yard dash by their backfield ace Bill Wetzler scored the first touchdown on the new Nehalia field.

The Loggers played fine defensive ball in the second quarter which was scoreless and featured by a goal line stand late in the period.

The Jefferson team appearing even stronger than other great Democrat teams functioned in mid-season form with a well mixed running and passing attack from a tricky double wing back formation. Outstanding for the local squad were McDonald, Schallack, Byers and Lamping who turned in fine games to show that they will be outstanding in league play.

Friday afternoon Coach Red McDonald will take his Loggers to Beaverton to clash with the always dangerous Beaverton Beavers. Beaverton boasts a letterman for every position and the local boys will have their hands full to repeat last years 32 to 0 victory. The squad has been strengthened since the opening of school when several new men turned out for practice.

Evening Library Plan Is Discussed

At the monthly meeting of the Vernonia public library board Monday night, Rev. H. R. Scheurman, as a representative of the chamber of commerce, was present to discuss with the board the matter of opening an evening reading room. This project was suggested by the chamber of commerce last spring.

Mrs. H. G. Sandon, chairman of the board stated that the board is desirous of giving this service to the public as soon as sufficient space can be arranged and other necessary arrangements provided for.

NICK FEDERICI TAKES PLACE OF FATHER IN SHOE SHOP

Nick Federici of St. Helens is exchanging places with his father A. Federici for the present in the shoe shop next to the Miller Mercantile store.

Mrs. Laura Shipley and family have moved to the former Nutt house on Weed Ave.

Pioneer Association To Meet in Rainer

The eighth annual meeting of the Columbia County Pioneers association will be held at the community church in Rainier, Saturday, September 25, at 10 o'clock a. m.

President Fullerton of Warren is making plans for an interesting meeting of the pioneers and their friends.

A capable speaker will be secured for the main address of the day. Interesting talks and stories of earlier days will add to the other features of the program.

A local committee will secure appropriate music for the occasion and have charge of the picnic lunch at noon. The association will supply coffee, cream and sugar.

Pre-Convention Rally Held in Local Church

A pre-convention rally was held in the Christian church Friday, September 10. Fifty three members of the Wildwood Christian Endeavor union attended.

Delegates from Astoria, Clatskanie, and St. Helens and the Evangelical church of Vernonia were represented.

Two outstanding leaders of the Wildwood Endeavor union were present, Mr. Morgan, regional advisor and Miss Johanson, president of the county unit of Endeavor.

A pantomime called "A Melodrama," was presented by the Endeavorites of the Christian church.

Holiday Causes Change in Plans For School Talk

Plans of the local post of the American Legion for bringing in an outside speaker for Constitution day Friday were abandoned when it was learned that a law passed in the 1936 session of the state legislature declares the day to be a school holiday for this year only. The intention was for the speaker to address a joint assembly of the grade and high schools.

This evening a reception for the teachers of Vernonia and vicinity will be held in the Washington grade school. The program, arranged by Mrs. Judd Greenman includes an address of welcome by J. W. Nichols, responses by W. Ralph Long and Wallace McCrae, selections by the Douglass orchestra, and songs by a ladies' quintet consisting of Mrs. L. H. Dewey, Mrs. W. O. Livingstone, Mrs. D. C. Cason, Mrs. J. W. Nichols and Mrs. Thomas Graves. Miss Ivy Masters will be accompanist.

New Teacher Is Added to Grade School Staff

Assignments Are Made for Supervision of Various Activities Scheduled in School Time

Miss Jessie Hart was hired Monday by the directors of the local grade school district as the additional teacher for the first grade, the position being made necessary by the unexpectedly large enrollment in that grade. Miss Hart taught for the past two years in the Victory school, Multnomah county, and during the summer was engaged in clinical work for retarded children. Before teaching in Multnomah county she had seven years of experience teaching in Washington county. She is a graduate of the Oregon Normal school and the University of Oregon.

Activities Organized

The school activities are now under way. Clubs that have been organized for the new term are the glee club, supervised by Miss Hughes; the orchestra, Miss Hughes; art club, Miss White; puppet club, Miss White; handicraft club, Miss Keasey; girls' plays and games, Miss Keasey; boys' games and and plays, Mr. Slawson; forestry club, Mr. Slawson; dramatics club, Miss Sweeney; journalism club, Miss Sweeney; beginning and advanced tumbling clubs, Mr. Gordon; Campfire girls, Miss Condit; sewing club, Miss Condit; garden and nature club, Miss Hall; folk dancing, Miss Bennett; Campfire girls, Miss Bennett; Boy Scouts, Mr. Kemp; stamp club, Miss Hilts; boxing club, Mr. Berg.

Each club meets twice a week and each pupil is a member of two clubs. Clubs are entirely elective, except for grade limitations. They are conducted in school time, so that pupils who are dependent upon bus service may avail themselves of them as well as pupils from town.

During the past week the pupils of the grade schools have been given standardized tests for the purposes of classification.

ASSISTING FARMERS IS AIM OF SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Assisting farmers who are distressed or in danger of losing their home is to be continued in Oregon through the farm debt adjustment section of the farm security administration. Anyone interested in or desiring the services of this organization should get in touch with the district farm debt adjustment supervisor, farm security administration, Mayer building, Portland. There is no charge for this service.