

COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

SUIT IS FILED AGAINST ST. HELENS--

Suit has been filed against the city of St. Helens, W. B. Bowser, city treasurer and J. E. Beeler, city recorder, to restrain W. B. Bowser, treasurer of the city of St. Helens from selling or attempting to sell lots 7, 8, 15 and 16, Block 46, of the city of St. Helens for alleged unpaid sewer and improvement assessments levied on December 7, 1914.

The plaintiff, the Oregon Credit Agency, a corporation and Dorothy L. Kicks, charge that the lots in question were not assessable for the alleged sewer assessments for reason that the city did not obtain right of way to lay such sewer. The complaint states that the city had wholly failed to give notice to property owners prior to assessment and in so doing violated the state law requiring newspaper publication of proposed improvements and assessments.

The complaints also states that the city had permitted numerous property owners to settle assessment claims for the amount of principal only, no interest charge being made up to and including 1938, and

that the city officials have now conspired together for the purpose of unjustly defrauding plaintiffs in claiming that interest charges for the past 24 years must be paid in addition to the principal.

The complaint further states that the plaintiffs are ready and willing to pay whatever assessments are found to be correct. Also, the complaint indicates that plaintiffs, rather than litigate, have offered a compromise assessment of \$54.54 per lot which represents the original assessment less interest, and that the city recorder has refused to accept such offer as full settlement.

W. B. Bowser, acting for the city of St. Helens had published on June 24th, an advertisement statement concerning the proposed sale of these lots at 10 o'clock, July 26th for the purpose of clearing assessment charges.

According to records, hearing in the circuit court has been set for 10 a. m. August 3.

At this time it is not known who will officially represent the city, since recent action taken by the city council has left the city without an attorney. The council is to meet again in the very near future and at that time it is to be expected that definite action on the city attorney vacancy will be taken.

However, according to members

of the council, the city will be represented with a reliable attorney during the suit regardless of whether a new city attorney has been appointed or not.

Clatskanie--

GALLAHER DROWNED--

Houston Gallaher of Taylorville was drowned Sunday evening in the mouth of Westport slough when a small rowboat with four persons aboard was swamped.

Leslie Smith of Astoria managed to get his wife and four-year old son, Gilbert, on the bottom of the overturned boat and held them there until help arrived.

The four had been picnicking and swimming and were returning when the accident occurred. Gallaher attempted to swim to shore. Smith said he had apparently almost reached shallow water when the boat sank. The body was recovered Monday following dragging operations directed by Sheriff Paul Kearney and Coroner Hollis Ransom of Clatsop county.

MRS. PICKERING CALLED--

Mrs. Nettie Pickering, for the past eight years a resident of Clatskanie, passed away quietly while sleeping about noon Tuesday at her home here.

Nettie Waite was born in Bloomington, Illinois March 18, 1866, being 72 years of age when taken by the Grim Reaper.

On June 1st, 1885, she was married to Enos E. Pickering and to this union eight children were born. Two of the number, Ardo Pickering and Fannie Carse, preceded her to the Great Beyond.

FIRE HAZARDS--

The Clatskanie fire chief and the boys of the fire department have this week made a survey of the city and are issuing warnings to residents and business houses, relative to real fire hazards.

A warning is also issued relative to the use of water. It is this, use what you think you need but when you go away or when you go to bed, turn off the water. It must not be wasted.

Rainier--

BEAN CROP HIT--

Considerable damage to beans because of the continued hot weather is reported by E. M. Dennis, manager of the Barbey Packing company here, who anticipates starting the local cannery on a light run basis during the next week.

J. B. CAMPBELL DIES--

J. B. Campbell died Friday July

15, at his home near Apiary, of angina pectoris, of which he had been ill for some time.

Mr. Campbell was born in Portland May 15, 1868, and on November 19, 1894, married Miss Nevada McCorkle of that city. For the last eight years he farmed near Apiary.

ROY COOPER PASSES--

Roy Cooper passed away early Sunday evening after a lingering illness of several months. He was born Feb. 2, 1886 in Benton county and was reared in Benton county. He graduated with the class of 1909 and came to Goble in 1920 where he has since resided in the Beaver Homes and Goble communities. He is survived by his widow Ada, and three children, Dale of Goble, Robert of Rainier and daughter June of Bandon.

"Jim" Brown Rites Held Here Saturday

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15 years, coming here when the town was much smaller and when none of the present city improvements existed. He had a wide acquaintance in all walks, and was especially active in affairs of a civic nature. He had served for several years as a director on the grade school board, assuming the chairmanship when relinquished by the late Mayor Ben S. Owens. The two well known men worked together during the construction of the new Washington grade school.

Mr. Brown was city treasurer at the time of his death and had devoted much time toward the financial problems of the city, often telling his friends that "I am living for the day when Vernonia will be bond free."

He was a member of the Masons at Echo, Oregon, the Royal Arch Masons here, as well as having been active in the Woodmen of the World, I. O. O. F. and Eagles.

The obituary presented at the last rites follows:

James William Brown was born in Payette, Idaho, March 8, 1881.

At an early age came to Garfield county, Washington, with his mother and stepfather. He was one of the early settlers of Pomeroy, Washington.

He was preceded in death by one son, Lester. He is survived by his wife, Lillian; his mother, Mrs. Mary Shawley of Pomeroy, Washington; and three sisters, Mrs. Mae Gilbanks of Yakima, Mrs. Alta Weimer of Pomeroy, and Mrs. Stella Harris of Connell, Washington.

Rural Mail Box Cleanup Week Date Set

Local Office Cooperating in National Campaign to Insure Service

August 1 to 6 has been officially designated by the Federal Postoffice Bureau as "Clean Up Rural Mail Box Week." Throughout the entire nation, a united effort is being made to encourage a general clean-up in the serviceability and general appearance of rural mail boxes.

Each rural mail patron is asked to examine his box and to make necessary alterations and improve

ments which he deems advisable. Few minutes work on the part of a patron will not only improve the service that can be rendered but will also help to improve the natural scenic beauty of the highway, the report states.

PLAN SWIM TESTS--

Merchants of Vernonia are now considering a two or three-day celebration sometime during the summer and at that time swimming events will be in the fore. There will probably be water polo games, dashes, distance events . . . perhaps diving events if more depth is available by the time. Swimmers priding themselves in speed and form should now get into shape for if the celebration goes through, there'll be some attractive awards ready.

Good Work, Well Done--

Our repair shop merits this reputation because we pride ourselves in better work, but the pool and park are also good work, well done, and we ask your generous use of both.

When in Vernonia for a swim or game, drop up to our station and get acquainted.

Roland's

SERVICE STATION and REPAIR SHOP
Roland Treharne, Prop.

"DAD HAMBURGER"

and that's what they call us here . . . Reason: Because the quality of our sandwiches and meals is heralded far and wide.

But our swimming pool and park is known far and wide, too, but we want its quality known ever farther.

COME TO VERNONIA—SWIM FREE

Dad's Cafe and Lunch

Vernonia

Just as Sure as They Call Me "SHORTY"

you'll get a great amount of enjoyment out of a swim or a ball game or the teeters or the swings at Vernonia's park.

I may be short and plump, but the recreation program is so much wider in scope than I that . . . well, come on in to Vernonia and enjoy it!

A. L. Kullander

JEWELER

VERNONIA

"Done to a Queen's Taste"

is quite an old saying, but it may be applied to products baked and prepared here. Every ingredient used in Vernonia Bakery products is carefully selected for quality and ultimate results.

And So It Was--

with Vernonia's swimming pool and park. Every care has been taken to give the entire area a world of great entertainment FREE OF CHARGE, with every effort made to make the park and pool enjoyable.

USE GOOD BAKERY PRODUCTS--

USE A FINE SWIMMING POOL AND PARK

Vernonia Bakery

Geo. Shaber, Prop.

"A Vernonia Enterprise Serving the Nehalem Valley"

NO CLOSE SHAVES--

just comfortable, cooling, refreshing swims and lots of fun at the pool and park. THAT'S WHAT WE WANT AND THAT'S WHAT YOU GET IN VERNONIA!

Ben's Barber Shop

Vernonia

Let George Do It!

It's an old saying, but it wasn't true with the Vernonia recreation program.

Everyone Helped to Do It!

And we're just as anxious that you come in and cool off in Dewey pool, or get heated up at a ball game as anyone could be.

WHILE YOU'RE HERE, DROP UP AND GET ACQUAINTED WITH US.

Vernonia Service Stations

Geo. Johnson, Prop.

Vernonia

Sure We Want Business!

but while we're out after business, we of Vernonia are also trying to give our friends just a little bit more than they give us.

And so, when you come to Vernonia, whether it be to talk "FORD V-8" or machine repair with us, or whether it's for groceries or clothing . . .

BRING THE FAMILY AND SWIM FREE--
OR WATCH A RED-HOT SOFTBALL GAME--
OR LET THE KIDS SWING OR TEETER AT NEHALIA PARK . . . IT'S YOURS!

Crawford Motor Co.

T. M. Crawford — Vernonia
Ford and Lincoln Dealer

WE MAKE MISTAKES, sure!

Even in the plumbing business. But Vernonia made no mistake when it constructed Dewey Pool and made Nehalia Park.

USE THEM

ED BAFFORD

Plumbing

SKINNY TO YOU---

but it makes no difference how skinny or how fat you are, you'll get a big kick out of our park and pool. No one stands around to criticize . . . everyone wants you to have a swell time.

E.H. 'Skinny' Washburn

(I Sell Wood to Burn)

Hot Weather Insurance

absolutely free in Vernonia's swimming pool. And plenty of fun at the park, but for

The Best Year-Round Insurance

see

T. B. MILLS

Real Estate—Insurance

Vernonia