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Aimee Turner Named As Queen at Close of Miller Contest

Prizes to Be Given Ten Highest Contestants in Race, Stated

Aimee Turner was named as the winner Monday in the Miller Mercantile queen contest at the final tabulation of votes on that evening at The Eagle office. Vote standings at the closing time were as follows:

Aimee Turner	81,200
Pauline Dial	78,700
Myrtle Stracey	71,950
Billie Bergerson	32,950
Erna Kent	22,650
Lois McDonald	12,500
Irene Bergerson	11,950
Florida Graves	9,300
Jean Ryvas	8,800
Dorothy Ovesen	8,300

The winner of the contest, Miss Turner, will leave from Portland Saturday for San Francisco in the company of nine other girls, each a winner from one other Miller Mercantile store, to attend the Golden Gate Exposition. Transportation to and from the California city and expenses of viewing the Exposition will be cared for by the Miller concern, stated Leslie H. Dewey, Vernonia manager of the store.

Prizes are being offered the girls rating mention as the ten highest according to the vote standing. For second position \$5.00 in merchandise has been announced as the prize. Third place winner will receive \$2.50, and the remaining seven contestants of the ten highest are to receive a \$1.00 pair of hose.

The final tabulation of votes was made Monday evening to determine the winner at an early date before the trip was slated to begin so that ample time would be available for preparation, it was stated.

Local Talent Orchestra to Play Saturday

8-Piece Band Will Provide Music for Dancers at I.O.O.F. Hall

An orchestra composed of players residing in Vernonia will play this Saturday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall for a dance scheduled there on that evening. The band, eight pieces, is under the management of Harry George.

Players in the orchestra are all experienced in the rendition of music suitable for the occasion, it was stated, all having played in other bands.

The appearance this Saturday evening will mark the first public performance of the group under the management of George and will provide dancers with an evening of enjoyment.

THREE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES REPORTED

The health bulletin of the Oregon State Board of Health this week revealed the presence of three cases of communicable diseases in the county. Two of those reported were whooping cough and one was listed as measles.

SAFEMAY DIVISIONAL MANAGER HERE

H. F. Martens, divisional manager of Safeway Stores, was a visitor here Tuesday afternoon of this week. While here he conferred with Gerald Horn, store manager, and Edward Clark, market manager, of the local Safeway store. Martens is manager for all stores in Oregon and for the Longview district in Washington.

Purchase of Mower Made By Council

Machine to Be Used on Memorial Cemetery; Ordinance Passed

City councilmen at their meeting held last Wednesday evening decided upon the purchase of a power lawn mower for use on the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery. Demonstration of the mower had been made a short time before by a representative of the company acting as distributor for the product. The machine is of a new type capable of cutting grass of considerable height and toughness as well as grass of shorter length as will be experienced on an ordinary lawn. Cost of the machine was given at \$343.00. The width of the mower swath is 24 inches and is powered by a three-horsepower gasoline motor.

Another item of business for the evening in addition to routine matters relative to placing official okehs on bills was the consideration of an application for beer license by Ann Parker. The council was asked to recommend to the State Liquor Control Commission that the license be issued. Official action was to table the matter until a future date.

Ordinance No. 240 was passed authorizing City Recorder Loe Roberts to enter in the lien docket the cost of construction of several sidewalks. Several property holders have been ordered by the council to construct walks but have failed to do so thus bringing the action. The city will have them constructed and place a lien against the property upon which they are located.

Quitclaim deeds were issued Mrs. Ethel Richie and James Rusow for property purchased on contract from the city, payment on the contracts having been completed.

Councilman Arrest Made Here Saturday

Chicken Theft Is Basis of Warrant Issued; Fine Given in Justice Court

The arrest was made here Saturday of last week by a State Patrolman of Roy Raymond, Vernonia city councilman, through a warrant issued on the basis of the theft of a chicken.

The case was brought to trial Saturday afternoon at which time a plea of not guilty was made in the Justice of Peace court before Oscar G. Weed. Release was made on recognizance on that day. Appearance was again made in the court on Monday morning of this week and the plea was changed to guilty. The fine as assessed by Justice of the Peace Weed was \$25.00 and costs of \$3.00.

The chicken theft was made on or about the date of June 8th from Mrs. Minnie Killian, it was stated by the court record.

LOCAL WRITERS HAVE POEMS PUBLISHED

Appearing in the Poet's Corner of the Oregon Journal of last Sunday's issue was a poem written by Mrs. Edna Engen entitled "Daddy." Several other poems have also been published in the corner, some of them written by Mrs. Robert Dial.

Chamber to Work on Pamphlet

Tuesday Decision It to Advertise Upper Nehalem Valley Agriculture

A larger-than-average group gathered for the Tuesday noon luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce and for the transaction of matters of business for the month.

The decision made during the meeting that brought considerable comment was that of publishing a pamphlet intended to advertise the Upper Nehalem Valley. As was expressed during the discussion, a great deal of benefit could be derived from the issuance of such a bulletin and by its distribution throughout the country. A committee will be appointed at a later time by Jewett Bush, Chamber President, to formulate further plans for the pamphlet.

Considerable discussion also revolved around the staging of a celebration in Vernonia again this year. Contact is to be made with several other groups who have mentioned the possibility to determine if one large celebration can be staged by the city. A committee appointment will probably be made at a later date to further care for the matter.

Additional action at the meeting was the passing of a motion authorizing the chamber secretary, J. W. Nichols, to donate \$5.00 to the Vernonia Junior Band as the chamber's portion of the band donation fund and a motion to appoint a committee to work with the Natal Grange towards the securing of a state park which has been considered for some time by the grange group.

Temperature Figures Given By Observer

Examination of the daily record sheet maintained by Harry Culbertson, Cooperative Weather Observer for Vernonia, this week revealed the maximum and minimum temperatures for Vernonia for the month of June.

The high point of the month was 87 degrees on the date of June 28th. Low temperature reached two degrees below freezing, 30 degrees on June 1. As compared with the record of the same month one year ago the maximum was considerably less. On both June 5 and 6 of 1938 the maximum figure was 95.

Precipitation for the past month was 1.53 inches with the greatest fall in a 24-hour period being three-tenths of an inch on the 18th. Precipitation for June, 1938 amounted to only two-tenths of an inch.

ORCHESTRA ENGAGED FOR PLAY AUGUST 5

Announcement by Bill Byers this week made known the engagement of Bob Mitchell's eight-piece orchestra to play here for the evening of August 5. The orchestra features as vocalists Marian Patton and Bob Hunt. The latter also plays guitar with the group in addition to the vocal work, it was stated.

OCCUPATION TAX PAYABLE FOR REMAINDER OF YEAR

Information released by Loe Roberts, City Recorder, made known this week that the City Occupation License for the second half of the year 1939 became due on the first of July. The year's license is payable in two installments which brings announcement that the balance is due now for the remainder of the year.

Demonstration Slated For M. King Farm; Engineer to Explain

Business Sale Announced This Week

Raymond Brown Barber Establishment Now Owned by J. L. Howard

Announcement was made the early part of this week of the sale of the Raymond Brown Barber shop on Bridge street to J. L. Howard of Astoria. Negotiators for the change of ownership have been underway for some time but formal notice of the change was withheld until a few days ago.

Mr. Howard, due to illness, is unable at the present time to assume active ownership but has stated that he hopes to be able to do so by the fore part of the coming week.

Brown, when questioned, stated that he had no definite plans for the future. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will probably not continue to make their home here.

Ernie Robbins Killed by Falling Log

Clark and Wilson Employee Fatally Injured on Wednesday; Funeral Sat.

Ernie Olen Robbins, an employee of the Clark and Wilson Lumber Company, was instantly killed Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m. while working as second loader at the scene of operation of the company. A falling log crushed Robbins as he attempted to make an adjustment while the log was being lowered onto a truck of the train which was to haul it to the Clark and Wilson mill.

Robbins was born at Cove Springs, Arkansas, on September 24, 1899, and passed away July 11 at the age of 39 years. He had been a resident of Vernonia for 16 years and during that time was affiliated with the International Woodworkers of America.

He leaves to survive him, his wife, Olive Robbins; a daughter, Evelyn and a son, Richard; his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Robbins; two sisters, Mrs. Elsie L. Westlund and Mrs. Lila M. Mason, both of Vernonia, and a niece, Miss Juanita Parker.

The funeral is to be held Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. at the Bush Funeral Home with Reverend H. R. Scheuerman officiating. Burial will take place at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

FLYING SERVICE HERE FOR SHORT TIME, STATED

Del Bush, son of J. A. Bush, and Bud Tholen will be here for two or three weeks with their flying service from Kansas City, Missouri. Del Bush, pilot and instructor will give instructions, carry passengers and take charter trips during the stay. Bush will fly in the National Air Races at Cleveland, this September 2, 3 and 4 in a ship acclaimed to be the fastest entrant for the races. While at Vernonia he is flying a Waco F3 open bi-plane.

Director Announces Decision

Dwight Adams Sets Location of Play Following Short Visit

A visit here Wednesday afternoon of this week by Dwight Adams, State Softball Director, makes possible the announcement of his decision of the scene for the staging of the 1939 district softball tournament. Through his decision announced during the Wednesday visit Vernonia has been named as guest city for those teams planning to enter the playoff.

An examination was made by the director of the field and facilities available for making possible the play. He expressed himself as well pleased with the present set up and stated further that with very little effort the city park field would be very suitable for play.

An attempt is being made to stage the district play off with a different city of the district each year. Astoria, last year, was the scene of the playoff and St. Helens was guest city the year previous to that. The date of the tourney has not been definitely settled but must not be held later than the weekend of Saturday, August 12. The reason for not being able to hold the play at a still later date is that the winning team of the district must be announced a very short time afterwards for entry into the state tournament.

During his visit here Adams commented on the advisability of the installation of lights making possible the playing of night ball. He stated that in other cities where night ball had become a regular practice the interest in sport activities had increased a great deal. Nearly all tournaments this year will be played under lights thereby facilitating to a considerable extent the schedule arrangements for teams playing.

Announcement will be made at a later date of schedule arrangements when the exact number of teams to enter play is known it was stated by Connie Anderson, president of the local league. A revised softball schedule for the second half of the softball season appears on the sport page of this week's edition.

City Marshal Issues Order To Cut Grass

City Ordinance Regulates Growth of Grass, Accumulation of Rubbish

City Marshal A. D. Lolley Tuesday of this week issued an order for publication by The Eagle to notify property holders of the wording of a city ordinance regulating the growth of grass and accumulation of rubbish on land within city boundaries.

The ordinance in part reads as follows: "To the owner, persons in possession, or the agents of owners of any lot or tract of land, you are hereby notified to remove rubbish and to cut grass or weeds from said property and half of the street or streets abutting the property as provided for in city ordinance No. 162 of the City of Vernonia."

Should it be desired by the property owner or person in possession the grass may be burned but only after a fire permit has been issued. Permits may be obtained from Fire Chief Earl Smith or assistant chief Harry Culbertson.

Arthur King, OSC Expert to Provide Information for Farmers

Through an announcement made this week by George A. Nelson, County Agricultural Agent, the date of an irrigation demonstration for farmers of the Upper Nehalem Valley has been revealed. The demonstration is slated for the afternoon of Wednesday, July 19, at the Matthew King farm a short distance from Vernonia on the Vernonia-Mist highway.

At the same time another system of providing moisture for crop growth will be shown visitors at the William Chalmer's farm directly across the highway from the King farm. The method to be demonstrated on the Chalmer's property will be different than that purchased, installed and in operation by King, stated the county agent.

To provide farmers of the valley with information as to the advantages to be derived from irrigation Arthur King, Engineer from Oregon State College, will be present to offer explanations of both systems and to answer queries that may be made.

Nelson, in his announcement of the demonstration, stated that every farmer in the valley will be welcomed at that time and will be able to gather considerable valuable information from explanations to be made by the visiting engineer.

New Church Building to Be Erected

Assembly of God Congregation to Begin Construction Soon

Work will begin on the coming week towards the preparation of a lot purchased recently by the Assembly of God church for the construction of a tabernacle, it was stated by Reverend L. W. Suter, pastor of the local congregation.

The purchase of the lot was made some time ago from the city and is located at the corner of Maple and Second streets.

The building, when completed, will be 36 feet by 50 feet in size and will be divided into several rooms. Included in the structure will be the auditorium, prayer room, pastor's study, and three rooms for Sundry School classes above the prayer room. The ceilings will be 14 feet in height with the exception of the prayer room which will be seven, leaving the remaining height for the construction of the three rooms above, it was stated by the pastor in describing the structure.

Purchase was made a short time ago of the Harris building on Rose Avenue. Much of the lumber obtained from that building, which has been demolished, will be used in the construction of the tabernacle.

LINEMAN MAKING FAVORABLE RECOVERY

Russell Neffew, lineman for the Oregon Gas and Electric company, is making a satisfactory recovery, was the information released this week by J. W. Nichols, local manager of the company. Neffew is now able to move about with the use of a wheel chair. He was injured some time ago due to accidental contact with high voltage wires.