

EAGLE EDITORIALS

DISTRICT VOTERS MAY EXPRESS WISHES

FRIDAY EVENING of this week marks the date set for the holding of a school election for District No. 47, Jt., at which time taxpayers of the district may express their opinions regarding the establishing of a kindergarten for those children of pre-grade school age.

Mention has been made of the purpose, date and time of the election before but due to proximity of the event it is again mentioned this week so that voters may be reminded at the last moment.

The question of a kindergarten has been discussed before with a good deal of favorable comment but the set up under which it must be maintained this year does not provide transportation for those children who live at too great a distance from the school to attend classes unless some provision is made for their attendance. A sufficient allowance has been made in the budget to meet expenses for supplies and instruction but not for the transportation.

Voters of the district in expressing their wishes should keep that fact in mind Friday evening.

POLICY OF THE EAGLE TO CONTINUE

TWO WEEKS ago the management of The Eagle offered its readers the opportunity of expressing their sentiment regarding the publication of news articles regarding arrests made and fines accorded by local law enforcement officers and courts.

The reason for the request of expression from readers was explained and is probably quite apparent to everyone without further mention at this time. And the response has been of an extent and of a nature very favorable to the policy as it has been maintained. In fact it could be said that the expressions were in every instance favorable.

Considering the response the present policy of the paper is to be maintained in the future as it has been in the past.

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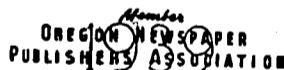
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DISTRICT TOURNAMENT—AN EVENT FOR VERNONIA

THIS WEEKEND, Saturday and Sunday, marks the dates of the staging of a district tournament for Vernonia which will prove a source of entertainment for softball sport fans and a means of advertising widely the facilities of Vernonia as to its recreational advantages.

The tournament will see represented here teams from five other cities in the district. Those teams will play here in deciding the winner of the district, that winner to go to Salem August 21 to 26 for play in the State Tournament.

Members of the Vernonia Softball League have been working this season with the idea in mind of staging the district playoff here, could the necessary details and arrangements be cared for satisfactorily. Those arrangements have been made with the result that Vernonia will benefit thereby. So far during the season no donations have been asked of business firms and it is the intention of the league to maintain that policy through the tournament if it will be possible to finance the affair otherwise. At the present time the indication is that such will be possible through admission charges that will be made for tournament games although those charges will be nominal so that a greater number of fans may feel free to attend.

The entertainment to spectators will be of the best for the teams to be represented here will be those who have won top position in their respective leagues, proving themselves capable of top-ranking competition with other teams in the district. Teams are to be entered from Vernonia, Seaside, Astoria, St. Helens, Rainier and Scappoose which will give a softball menu interesting to fans this weekend, August 12 and 13.

THE SWIM POOL GETS A GUARD

VERNONIA'S SWIMMING pool now enjoys the services of a guard for the protection of bathers who use it during warm weather days. Last week, Monday, saw the first definite action in the direction of a guard that has so far been taken in the city. A group of citizens gathered to discuss the matter made the appointment of a committee to seek funds necessary to bring a registered lifeguard to Vernonia. The committee was to contact parents of the city with the idea of obtaining the funds in addition to the amount supplied by WPA funds.

Several times during this swimming season occasions have arisen where it became necessary for a swimmer to be taken from the pool by the aid of bystanders or other swimmers. The danger of drowning is present whenever anyone is present at the pool and especially is that true when children are the swimmers.

A guard as has now been provided for protection will relieve much of the danger of drowning, will make it possible for parents to allow their children the use of the pool with safety and will provide to those that may so wish, the opportunity to receive swimming and first aid instruction. The guard, Roland Kelly, is capable of meeting those demands as he comes here highly recommended for the work.

Under the set up by which his services have been obtained he is compensated by WPA funds to the extent of \$61 per month. To provide the additional funds necessary \$34 must be obtained by subscription, which work is the duty of the committee appointed at last Monday's meeting.

For Vernonia to lose the services of a certified life guard because of failure to obtain the additional \$34 would be a loss to the safety of the children who make use of the swimming facilities.

THIRSTY YARDS TO HAVE WATER

City councilman yesterday passed an emergency ordinance repealing the one prohibiting the use of city water for sprinkling and irrigation purposes, and immediately passed a schedule when home-owners may use for their yards. The ban on washing cars and flushing sidewalks is still in effect.

The new ordinance in part reads: "An ordinance prohibiting the use of city water for the purpose of sprinkling and irrigating, excepting however that water users north of Columbia boulevard and north of St. Helens Bachelor Flat county road may use city water for sprinkling and irrigating from 7:00 p. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Water users south of the St. Helens Bachelor Flat county road may use city water for sprinkling and irrigating from 7:00 p. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays."

HAL SMITH TO BE NEW HIGH COACH

Harold (Hal) Smith, who was assistant coach at Linfield college during 1938 and 1939, has been elected as coach and director of physical education for the St. Helens high school to replace Eddie Frantz. Frantz resigned to accept a coaching position in the schools at Nevada City, California.

Smith is a graduate of the Wapato, Wash., and of Washington State college, where he received his bachelor of science degree in physical education in 1938. He comes highly recommended by J. Fred Bohler, director of physical education and athletics at Washington and Jack Friel, basketball coach at the same institution.

ESTHER MAY NEET OPENS BEAUTY SHOP

Esther May Neet, recently of Portland, is announcing the opening of the LaVerne Beauty Shop in room 12 of the city hall building (old bank building) in an advertisement on the society page of today's Sentinel-Mist.

Miss Neet graduated in beauty work in Portland in 1922 and at present carries licenses to operate in three states. Her new shop will be fully equipped with Helon Curtis machines and furniture.

FIR-TEX UNION HOST AT PICNIC

The Fir-Tex employes held their annual picnic and frolic at Jantzen beach last Sunday, beginning at 11:00 a. m. and ending at 8:00 p. m. There were 229 persons in attendance as guests of Fir-Tex Union No. 2752.

An inter-department softball game was played in the afternoon. Races and contests for all ages were held, and prizes given to the winners. The judge for the contests was Mayor Ray W. Simeral, ably assisted by Mrs. Simeral.

GEORGIA M. MASON GIVEN TRANSFER TO CANYON CITY

Announcement of the appointment of Mrs. Georgia M. Mason as agency manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company as Canyon City, Oregon, was made today by Miss Lucille Marquis, manager of the company in St. Helens.

Mrs. Mason for the last five years has been evening chief operator in this city, during which time she has made many friends.

Her appointment is effective August 1, and she has already moved with her family to Canyon City.

ORGANIZATION OF MOOSE LODGE SET FOR SUNDAY

Persons interested in organizing a St. Helens chapter of the Moose lodge will meet in the Eagles hall at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Tobo Watkins of Corvallis, membership director for the order, will be in attendance at the meeting.

In order to secure a chapter, there must be 100 signers to a petition requesting the national organization for a charter. The movement to organize a Moose lodge here was started by H. W. Smith, C. W. Horn, Charles Rogers, Joseph Fachel and Clyde Carpenter.

LOCAL BUSINESS CONCERN OPENS BRANCH IN ASTORIA

The St. Helens Ice & Beverage Co. has opened a branch plant at Astoria to be known as the Astoria Beverage Co. Phil Hickey will manage the plant, dividing his time between Astoria and St. Helens, where he will continue to live.

Beers and St. Helens beverages will be handled in the branch plant, Hickey says.

Clatskanie—

FLAMES DESTROY HOME, BUILDINGS

Fire struck homes this week in addition to the Oregon forests.

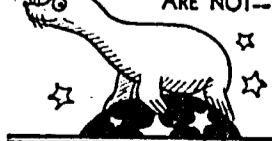
Early Wednesday morning the big livestock barn of Cyril Fleming of Portland, well known here, was completely destroyed by fire with a loss of \$19,000.

Later that morning, the fine farm home and milk house of J. C. Skenas of Fern Hill was destroyed and Wednesday afternoon the boat shop of Axel Brannar at Bradbury was totally burned.

BONNIE McPHERSON QUEEN CANDIDATE

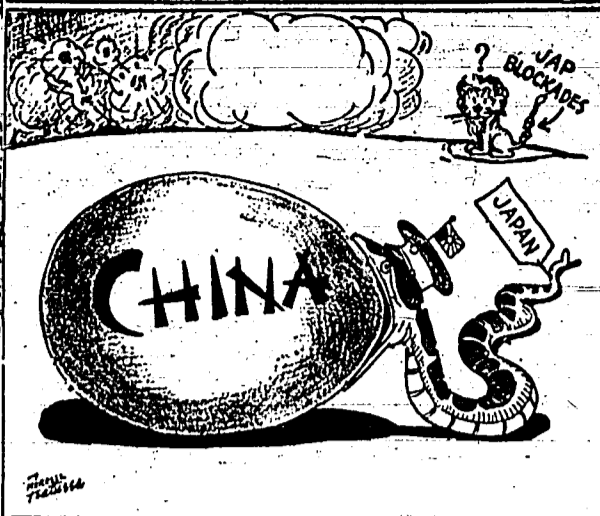
Bonnie McPherson has been

OUR READERS ARE NOT—



TRAINED SEALS BUT THEY RESPOND TO AD SUGGESTIONS

Far East Problem



chosen by the Clatskanie Grange as a candidate for queen of the Columbia County Fair.

Queen contestants have also been chosen by six other granges of the county.

They are: Yankton, Lucille Ingram; Cannan, Arlene Logan; Natal, Elaine Lowden; South Scappoose, Helene Callahan; Warren, Phyllis Hanniss; Vernonia, Ellen Mowe.

BENSON TIMBER COMPANY SENDS 114TH RAFT

The Benson Timber company sent out its second raft of this year and the 114th since the manufacture of the big "cigar" shaped raft which started back in the 1890's last Friday.

The rafts are now being built at Cathlamet and it was being towed by the tug Sea Ranger to the company's mill at San Diego. It is expected that one more raft will be sent out this season, probably in September.

LODGES

V. F. W.
Meets First and Third Fridays of Each Month.
Legion Hall — 8 P. M.
John Grady, Cominamr.

Vernonia F. O. E.
(Fraternal Order of Eagles)
Grange Hall
Vernonia
Friday Nights
8 o'clock

Roy Barnes, W. P.
Marvin Kamholz, W. Sec'y.

Knights of Pythias
Harding Lodge No. 116
Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings—I. O. O. F. Hall, Second and Fourth Mondays Each Month.

Pythian Sisters
Vernonia Temple No. 61
Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings—I. O. O. F. Hall
Second and Fourth Wednesdays Each Month

Order of Eastern Star
Nehalem Chapter 153, O. E. S.
Regular Communication first and third Wednesdays of each month, at Masonic Temple. All visiting sisters and brothers welcome.
Mrs. Jean Crawford, W.M.
Mrs. Helen Dewey, Secretary

A. F. & A. M.
Vernonia Lodge No. 184
A. F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Temple, Stated Communication First Thursday of each month. Special called meetings on all other Thursday nights, 7:30 p. m. Visitors most cordially welcome. Special meetings Friday nights.
Lowell Hieber, W. M.
Glenn F. Hawkins, Sec.

VERNONIA POST-119 AMERICAN LEGION
Meets First and Third Wednesdays
AUXILIARY
First and Third Mondays

CLATSKANIE PICNIC AUG. 20

The annual get-together and Clatskanie picnic will be held in Portland on August 20 at Peninsula Park. Former Clatskanie residents meet each year and enjoy having any Clatskanie people come to the meeting held in Portland.

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COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

WIDENING ROAD TO START SOON

Work of widening the pavement on the Columbia river highway from Farr's corner at Warren to Scappoose will be started by the state highway department in the near future, says County Judge J. B. Wilkerson, who was visited this week

by a representative of the highway commission engaged in securing right-of-way.

This project was included in the 1939 highway program, but was held by a controversy over a portion of the right-of-way. J. D. Perry, local state representative, recently contacted the highway department in the hope of their promise to complete the road this year.

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