

EAGLE EDITORIALS

THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS—

THE REPORT of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis released last month reveals pertinent facts of an organization founded to fight a most stubborn disease, infantile paralysis. To continue with the origin and history a portion of the report is: "This foundation was organized on January 3, 1938 under the laws of the state of New York. It is a non-profit membership corporation. It has no connection with any other organization or organizations except its own local chapters and the committee for the celebration of the president's birthday which is its fund-raising unit.

"The organization of the foundation was sponsored by President Roosevelt on September 23, 1937, and the general purposes of the foundation and the need for its existence were set forth at that time in a statement in which he said in part as follows:

"My own personal experience in the work that we have been doing at the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for over ten years, leads me to the very definite conclusion that the best results in attempting to eradicate this disease cannot be secured by approaching the problem through any single one of its aspects, whether that be preventive studies in the laboratory, emergency work during epidemics, or after-treatment. For over ten years at the Foundation at Warm Springs, Georgia, we have devoted our effort almost entirely to the study of improved treatment of the after-effects of the illness. During these years other agencies, which we have from time to time assisted, have devoted their energies to the other phases of the fight. I firmly believe that the time has now arrived when the whole attack on this plague should be led and directed, though not controlled by one national body. And it is for this purpose that a new national foundation for infantile paralysis is being created.

"As I have said, the general purpose of the new foundation will be to lead, direct, and unify the fight on every phase of this sickness. It will make every effort to ensure that every responsible research agency in this country is adequately financed to carry on investigations into the cause of infantile paralysis and the methods by which it may be prevented. It will endeavor to eliminate much of the needless after-effect of this disease—wreckage caused by the failure to make early and accurate diagnosis of its presence. We all know that improper care during the acute stage of the disease, and the use of antiquated treatment, or downright neglect of any treatment, are the cause of thousands of crippled, twisted, powerless bodies now. Much can be done along these lines right now. The new foundation will carry on a broad-gauged educational campaign, prepared under expert medical supervision, and this will be placed within the reach of the doctors and the hospitals of the country. The practicing physician is in reality the front line fighter of the sickness, and there is much existing valuable knowledge that should be disseminated to him.

"And then there is also the tremendous problem as to what is to be done with those hundreds of thousands, already ruined by the after-effects of this affliction. To investigate, to study, to develop every medical possibility of enabling those so afflicted to become economically independent in their local communities will be one of the chief aims of the new

foundation."

Such a purpose for an organization can be of untold benefit as a step in the direction of lessening frequent occurrence of the disease and possibly leading eventually to a complete ending of its appearance. Certainly the work of the foundation in attempting to enable those already afflicted to become again useful in their communities is well worth the effort expended in "fund-raising" attempts through the birthday balls staged each year at the time of the President's birthday.

To quote further from the report: "Prior to the beginning of the so-called Birthday Celebration, there was in most localities no separate or distinct local activity for the raising of funds for crippled cases. The institution of that celebration created a situation where for the first time in many localities money was available to meet such local needs. . . . For those reasons the Trustees of the Foundation approved a plan intended not only to care for the local situation, but to intensify further the national fight on this disease. That plan called for the organization by the Foundation in each county within the United States, to the extent deemed advisable, a chapter or unit to administer the portion of the foundation's funds left in the particular county and it also provided that where necessary or advisable units covering larger areas than a county might be used."

As to the source of income which provides the foundation's working capital a further quotation reveals that, "All of the foundation's income, except for some small donations, has been derived from the Celebration of the President's Birthday held in the years 1938 and 1939.

"In the year 1938, all of the net proceeds from the celebration, amounting to \$1,010,378.14, were received by the foundation. In the year 1939, fifty percent of the net proceeds of the birthday celebration, after deducting therefrom the expenses of the national campaign, were received by the foundation. This amount was \$600,000.

"The remaining fifty percent of the net proceeds of the 1939 birthday celebration was left in the communities throughout the United States for direct local relief. This amounted to \$727,173.46. There was added to this amount, through the efforts of the national foundation, the sum of \$50,000.00 as a contribution from the Will Rogers Memorial Commission, so that in 1939, the total of \$777,173.46 was left in the localities throughout the United States as a result of the activities of the national foundation."

Within a few weeks will probably be staged the 1940 birthday ball with the funds derived therefrom to again be placed to the purpose of providing further research and aid for infantile paralysis victims.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED—

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 has been named as the day for a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting, an evening affair, is called for the election of officers of the organization, those officers to serve during the year 1940. The process for that election is the naming of five men as a group to be known as the board of directors and from that group is to be chosen those officers. The board itself, at a meeting after the Tuesday evening gathering, will name from its five men the president and secretary-treasurer.

The Chamber of Commerce should serve as a live and active group in furthering the city. The chamber should prove itself active in promoting Vernonia. But in order for that to happen it is necessary that every business person and every professional person be present to take a part in that work of building Vernonia. A small group cannot carry out the work. The job is too great to be performed by a few and be performed successfully. Every concern should be represented that Tuesday evening and at each future meeting of the Chamber for a successful 1940.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH; THE HOLIDAY SEASON'S OVER—

AT LAST Christmas and New Year's are past. Their celebration was enjoyable to the utmost while they lasted but like all of the good things, enough is enough.

On the first day following the holidays featuring late hours, rich food eaten at irregular intervals, and gloating over gifts, to return to the everyday schedule of arising and retiring at a workingman's hour, eating regular meals and pondering over problems of gaining a livelihood comes as a welcome relief.

It would seem that man wasn't made for such a life as the holidays provide—he must have activity in the form of work with just some dissipation, to be the happiest.

the Lower Columbia River highway.

CHRISTMAS TURKEY SALE SETS RECORD FOR COUNTY—

What is believed to be the largest check ever received by a Columbia county poultry raiser from a local market, was the one for \$1,347.56 which was handed to Loren Johnson by the H. W. H. Adams Grocery and Market of St. Helens. The check was in payment for 568 turkeys delivered for the Christmas trade. The birds averaged 13 pounds apiece.

Johnson, whose farm is near Scappoose, raised more than 7,000 turkeys this year.

R. LEWIS UP ON BURGLARY COUNT—

Raymond K. Lewis, 39, of Rainier, is in the Columbia county jail under bail of \$3,500.00 on a charge of alleged burglary not in a dwelling. He is awaiting arraignment before the circuit court.

Lewis is alleged to have burglarized a service station at the Longview bridge the night of December 21.

INDICATIONS ARE RED CROSS DRIVE MEETS THE QUOTA—

Indications that Columbia county has gone over the top in its annual Red Cross drive was seen last evening, when J. W. Thompson, president of the county chapter, reported that over \$1,200 had been turned in and the drive in Vernonia is still incomplete.

The St. Helens district, of which Charles N. Rogers was chairman, made subscriptions amounting to \$785.45, which is more than the county quota of \$1,400.

Clatskanie--

MAKINEN IS SMELT BOSS—

William Makinen of Astoria was elected manager of the Columbia River Smelt Fishermen's association at a meeting of members of that organization held here Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Makinen will succeed Delmar Birkenfeld who was chosen manager early in the season.

Smelt headquarters will remain in Clatskanie and the new manager has taken up his residence at the Hotel Tourist. For many years, this city has been the center of the industry with most of the net caught smelt coming from the Columbia river in this vicinity.

CALDWELL, CHAIRMAN PARALYSIS CAMPAIGN—

George L. Caldwell of this city has been appointed Columbia county chairman to arrange for the celebration of President Roosevelt's birthday and with that the raising of funds for the 1940 campaign to "Fight Infantile Paralysis."

Dr. Elof T. Hedlund of Portland is the state chairman. The campaign closes on January 30 with the big birthday dances. Fifty per cent of proceeds which are used in the infantile paralysis fight, will be left in the county where the funds are raised. The other half of the money raised goes to the national committee where it will be turned over to the National Foundation.



Marion, Tillamook and Wasco counties led their respective groups in the inter-county traffic accident improvement contest at the end of November, it was announced by Earl Snell, secretary of state, who sponsors the contest as a phase of his state-wide traffic safety program.

In counties of the first division, Marion was first for the second consecutive month while Benton, which has been among the first three counties every month this year, was second and the city of Portland rated third.

In the second division, Tillamook held first place for the fourth consecutive month with Hood River second and Jackson county third. Wasco county was first in the third group for the seventh consecutive month. Union county was second for the fourth consecutive month and Baker was third. Umatilla county was disqualified this month due to insufficient reports filed with the secretary of state.

Standings are computed on a basis of the percentage of improvement in accidents, deaths and injuries made by each county in comparison to the corresponding period last year. The following standings at the end of November are cumulative:

- Group I. Marion, first; Benton, second; Portland, third; Columbia, fourth; Polk, fifth; Multnomah, exclusive of Portland, and Clatsop, sixth; Clackamas and Washington, seventh; Yamhill, eighth.
- Group II. Tillamook, first; Hood River, second; Jackson, third; Coos, fourth; Lane, fifth; Lincoln, Linn, sixth.
- Group III. Wasco, first; Union, second; Baker, third; Douglas, fourth; Josephine and Deschutes, fifth; Klamath, sixth.

The Forum

Editor of The Eagle:
When I meet evidence of the great hearts here in Vernonia, I get the idea we have all the best hearts in our land. Then I read a paper and see we have not captured all the big, warm hearts.

Folks, there is still a call for many things, and as early as it is, I have a Santa Claus box started again because folks have already brought in a family of dolls, clothes and furniture for them. So now, if your floors are cluttered up with this year's toys and last year's too, just toss them into a box, and send them on where they will be kept to be given those who have not. A toy in the summer time for a sick child gives joy. I know.

Thanks, many thanks to the dear souls who have given me the joy of scattering gifts to the dear little folks this year. I hope to do it again with your help. Happy New Year to every one!

Yours,
Mrs. A. E. Jennings

Civil Service Exams Announced—
The United States Civil Service Commission announces the following open competitive examinations: Assistant Communications Operator (Air Navigation); Under Communications Operator (Air Navigation).

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Vernonia Temple No. 61
Vernonia, Oregon
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Sara Drorbaugh, W. M. 1140
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Applications must be on file with the Manager, Eleventh U. S. Civil Service District, Federal Office Building, Seattle, Washington, not later than January 17, 1940. These examinations are for the purpose of filling existing and future vacancies in Region 7, Civil Aeronautics Authority (comprising the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana). Full information may be obtained at the post office in this city.

Here New Year's Day—
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Whitsell and daughter of Cathlamet spent New Year's Day here visiting relatives and friends. They returned to their home that evening.

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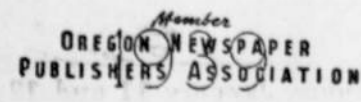
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Official newspaper of Vernonia, Oregon



COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

YEAR'S BUILDING PROGRAM SHOWS MARKED INCREASE—

St. Helens' 1939 building program totaled \$78,570, an increase of \$19,035 over the \$59,535 total for the entire year of 1938, records in the office of City Record-

er J. E. Beeler show. The largest permit issued this year was one for \$19,000 taken out by the county for construction of the new county jail.

Second largest permit was for \$6,000 which sum will be expended by the Portland General Electric Company to construct a sub-station at the corner of Tualatin

and Second streets. The permit was issued by Beeler this week.

Next in line was the permit for \$4,400 issued to Joseph Rinaudo to construct a concrete and steel business block on Columbia blvd. in West St. Helens. The local school board was given a \$4,000 permit to build an addition to the high school auditorium.

J. M. Kelly this fall spent \$3,500 erecting a modern super service station at the corner of 18th street and Columbia blvd., and the Seventh Day Adventist church expended \$2,000 on a new home on