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Infantile Paralysis Fund to Be Swelled By Dance Here Sat.

Committee Issues Report of Intended Activities Following Meeting

The Vernonia committee headed by E. M. Bollinger, mayor, this week issued a statement of the action it has taken towards the raising of funds for the aid of sufferers from infantile paralysis. The report follows:

Every year the 30th of January signals the time for the nation to raise funds to fight infantile paralysis. Your local committee is raising its quota in three ways:

1. The little dime mailing envelopes in which you can mail your contributions directly to President Roosevelt in Washington, D. C.

2. By the coin boxes located at various places in the city in which you may drop such coins as you wish to contribute. These will later be gathered and included in the total subscribed from Vernonia.

3. We are sponsoring a dance and have secured the popular Jimmie Whetmore orchestra. This orchestra plays nothing but special arrangements written exclusively for their group. This dance is our main source of revenue and we are sparing no expense to give you one of the nicest dances of the year.

We hope you all can come and "Dance, that they may walk."

E. M. Bollinger, Chairman
E. H. Washburn
George Baker
Lyman Hawken
O. T. Bateman
J. W. Nichols
Vernonia Committee

High School Sextette to Broadcast

KWLK to Present Group for Ten Minutes Sunday Afternoon

The Vernonia high school sextette composed of Joanne and Barbara Nichols, Erma Koberstein, Mary Lee Hall, Opal Scheuerman and Kathleen Tomlin and under the direction of Miss Alvenia Connell will broadcast for ten minutes over station KWLK Sunday afternoon, January 28, at 2 o'clock.

The broadcast will originate from the stage of the Avalon Theatre in Clatskanie where each Sunday a program is given under the direction of Don Fluhrer, director of Don's Orchestra, well-known group. The series of programs will be provided by outstanding talent in the county.

The sextette will sing three numbers next Sunday: "American Lullaby," "Laura, Come Back to Me" and "Lo, Now the Rose", the selection so well received at the Christmas program.

Dance Scheduled for February 3rd

Bill Hune and his nine-piece dance band, one of Portland's best known traveling dance orchestras is scheduled to play in Vernonia again February 3rd it was announced this week. The group will feature sweet swing and waltzes to please both the younger and older dancers. The orchestra has played at Lotus Isle, Blue Lake park, The Oaks park, Rose Beach, Goble, Columbia City, Astoria and Bonneville.

I. W. A. Defeats Oil Quintet

The Vernonia I. W. A. basketball team defeated the St. Helens Gilmore Oil team in the game played here Friday night, January 19. The score was 44-30. MacDonald and Carter tied for high point honors.

Large Acreage Purchased

2,180 Acres Near Birkenfeld to Be Used as Pasture Land

The purchase of 2180 acres of range land northwest of Birkenfeld in the Nehalem Basin is the second large scale project of the kind to be initiated by eastern Oregon stock men within the past few months. F. A. Stinchfield of Mayville consummated the deal last week from the County Court of Clatsop county which has taken the land for taxes after the timber had been removed.

It is reported that the land was purchased for \$1.00 per acre, and 400 head of sheep are to be placed on the land immediately and more will be shipped when the land is fenced and prepared for grazing.

Glen McGee, son-in-law of the purchaser, will manage the operation. Lloyd Parman and Sons purchased 4080 acres of Nehalem Basin grazing land last fall and many more eastern Oregon stock ranchers are looking over the prospects here, due to the fact that much of the grazing land in eastern Oregon has dried up, owing to the dearth of rainfall and snow in the last few years. It is reported that some of the ranchers on that section had to haul water for ten miles for their stock last summer.

18 Students Pass Driving Tests

Eighteen students of the high school received passing marks in the driver license examination on Jan. 25. The lowest grade was 87. Six of the 18 took the exam for instruction permits, the remainder taking the actual driving tests. Two of these failed due to lack of experience.

Wilcoxon Appointed Trapper

Appointee Will Be in Charge of Predatory Animal Control

Mr. Howard Wilcoxon of Route 1, Clatskanie, has been recently appointed as a W. P. A. government trapper for Columbia county and is working on the predatory animal control.

Any stock raisers or poultry raisers who are having trouble with coyotes or other predatory animals attacking their livestock may either communicate with Mr. Wilcoxon or with the County Agent's office at St. Helens to secure help.

Former Head Of O-A Named Mayor

Charles S. Keith to Act as Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri

According to report from Kansas City, Missouri, Charles S. Keith, former president of the Oregon-American Lumber Corporation and of the Central Coal and Coke company, has been elected by the City Council of that city to fill the unexpired term of Bryce S. Smith who had served that city as mayor for more than 10 years prior to his resignation.

Mr. Keith is widely known in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest, having been the directing head of the Central Coal and Coke company during the construction period of the lumber plant at Vernonia and until the operation was reorganized prior to the resumption of operations in 1936. Mr. Keith was a frequent visitor in Vernonia during the construction of the mill.

Prior to the actual construction of the plant Mr. Keith met with the business men of this city and entered into a gentleman's agreement not to engage in any mercantile or business enterprise in Vernonia if the city would exclude from the city limits the small tract of land now occupied by the western end of the plant. This agreement was never broken by the management, although not a word was placed in writing.

O-A Mill To Close Wednesday

Repair of Machinery to Be Made During Short Shut-Down

A report issued Wednesday morning revealed that the Oregon American plant is to be closed for a short time beginning Wednesday, January 31st. The shut-down will include the saw mill, planer and shipping department.

The planer department and shipping department will again resume operations on Monday, February 5, but the mill will remain closed for another week before beginning work.

Gresham Bows To Vernonia Rifleman

Friday Match Gives Gunmen Seven Wins in Eight Starts

The Gresham Gun Club was defeated by the local Gun Club at the match held last Friday, January 19, at Gresham. The score was: Vernonia, 861; Gresham 811. Vernonia has won seven out of the eight matches shot.

The five highest scores of the Vernonia team are listed:

Fetsch	181
Kellmer	175
Nichols	169
Wagner	168
Zimmerdahl	168

Next Friday, January 26, the Vernonia Gun Club goes to Hillsboro for the ninth shooting match of the season.

McCollum Gets One Year Sentence

Joseph McCollum received a sentence of one year in the state penitentiary this week in the circuit court at Astoria with Judge Howard K. Zimmerman presiding. The sentence was given McCollum on Saturday, February 3rd for its upon being found guilty of contributing to the delinquency of an eight-year old girl. He resided at Camp McGregor.

County Chairmen of Community Groups Meet

On Monday of last week a meeting was held of the chairmen of the various community committees and the members of the Land Utilization Committee of the last Outlook Conference held in 1938. A review was made at this meeting of the recommendations made at the Outlook Conference and the accomplishments that have been realized since that time.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Stella Harris of Warren, vice chairman of the Outlook Conference, who gave an outline of the purpose of the meeting. An election was held for a chairman of the meeting, and Mr. W. C. Johnson of Mist was elected general chairman. Mr. Johnson then called on the various chairmen of the committees or a report of their work.

Mr. J. A. Bacon of Warren reported for the Horticultural Committee in regards to the work done with strawberries for canning purposes and fresh market and diseases and pest control work. He also reported on the planting of young berries and Boysen berries, both of which are suitable for canning purposes and fresh market. Mr. Bacon also reported on the recommendations of the Crops Committee of the Outlook Conference in controlling noxious weeds such as Canada thistle and wild morning glory. He reported that he is mapping different infestations of nox-

ious weeds located in the county and is getting good cooperation in several of the districts in keeping the different weeds under control.

Accomplishments Reported

Mr. Clyde Watson of Yankton reported on the Crops Committee work and the accomplishments that have been made since 1938, especially in the improvement and expansion of forage crops and the growing of White Rose potatoes for the seed market in the southern states, especially California.

A report was made by Mr. W. C. Johnson of Mist who was elected chairman of the group and by Mr. Ralph Langdon of Scappoose on the expansion and improvement of the livestock industry in the county in order to utilize the cut-over lands and feed produced on the farm lands which includes both the cattle industries and sheep industries. They also reported on the active participation of the Livestock Association which was organized soon after the last Outlook Conference.

Recommendations Revealed— Three members of the Farm Home and Rural Life Committee were present to help with the discussion and report. The Farm Home and Rural Life Committee work was reported on by Mrs. Ralph Langdon of Chapman, committee chairman. Other members present

to help with the discussion and report were Mrs. Ernest Harris of Warren and Mrs. John Beck of Scappoose. The recommendations which were adopted from this committee at the Outlook Conference in 1938 are as follows: (1) that gardens be part of the program; (2) encourage consumption of protective foods; (3) that help on sanitation be given to homemakers including installation of running water, installing hand pumps where water has to be carried, building draft coolers, septic tanks; (4) beautify homes by landscaping; (5) spread recreation by having recreation institutes; (6) and raise the age average of 4-H club people.

Joint Projects Carried on

Mrs. Maud C. Purvine, Home Demonstration Agent, reported the progress made on the accomplishments for the past years. Joint projects in sanitation and 4-H club work have been carried on by the agricultural agent and the home demonstration agent.

The goal set for the enrollment in 4-H economic clubs by the committee was 350 members. The total enrollment for the past year was

All Vernonia Schools Closed Until Coming Monday Morning

Survey to Be Held by N.Y.A.

Evaluation of Work Under Project to be Attempted, Said

Vernonia high school has been selected as a typical school from which to conduct a survey program on N. Y. A. activities. To evaluate work done through that project is the attempt of the survey being supervised by H. O. Church of the National Education Association and P. B. Jacobson of the University High School, University of Chicago. The data gained through work will be published and given circulation to schools and colleges.

The local high school receives \$48 a month in N. Y. A. assistance; three girls in the library, two secretaries, and three assistant janitors are the positions filled for receiving aid from the Youth Administration. These people are enrolled in the school; they are not graduates who are offered other N. Y. A. assistance.

Colored Ghosts Baffle I. W. A. Five

An exhibition of skill and showmanship was shown Sunday afternoon at the high school gym when the Vernonia I. W. A. team was baffled and teased by five clever negro basketball players calling themselves "The Galloping Ghosts". Admittedly the colored boys were good comedians, but the crowd agreed that had they turned on the works the good I. W. A. quintet wouldn't have had a "ghost" of a chance of showing any ability to put up a good fight.

Pomona Grange Meeting Scheduled

The Columbia County Pomona Grange will meet at Beaver Valley on Saturday, February 3rd for its upon being found guilty of con-regular quarterly meeting. The tributing to the delinquency of an session will begin at 10:30 a. m., eight-year old girl. He resided at according to Pearl Becker, Secretary of the Pomona group.

Increase of Illness Given as Reason for Monday Action

All the Vernonia schools were closed for a week Monday morning following a decision reached after conferring with Miss Nettie Alley, Columbia County Red Cross Nurse, and Dr. Eby, City Health Officer of Vernonia.

The health officials recommended that the two grade schools and the high school be closed for a week because of the increase of illnesses throughout the schools. On Monday morning, the grade schools had 135 absentees as against the 116 recorded absent last Wednesday when the schools first closed. Twenty-five were absent from the high school Wednesday, thirty were absent on Monday morning.

Farm Security Loan Aid Available

Those Needing Aid for Next Year's Operation Requested to File Now

Farm Security Administration aid for Columbia County farm families whose operations are in jeopardy, is available through county FSA offices in the Post Office Building, Astoria, reports Lewis A. Nichols, local supervisor. Operators on family sized farms whose livelihood is threatened by lack of adequate credit facilities or similar causes are eligible for FSA assistance.

Sufficient funds have been allotted to this district to provide for estimated needs of all handicapped farm families through FSA operating goods, livestock, feed and cooperative loans, as well as debt adjustment and supervisory services. Cooperative farm and home plans stressing business-like management and production of home food needs is the basis of each rehabilitation loan.

Farmers expecting to request aid for next year's operation are asked to file applications as soon as possible so plans can be completed this winter and facilities made available for the coming crop season. Where emergencies exist, subsistence grants can be made to destitute farm families from drouth areas or resident families eligible for rehabilitation.

Complete information as to the Farm Security program may be obtained at the Astoria office located in the basement of the Post Office Building, Astoria.

Election Due At IWA Union Hall, Said

Lyman Wax Resignation Calls for Ballot for Business Agent

An election is slated for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week at the IWA union hall for the choice of a man to fill the position of business agent of Local 37. Vacancy in the position arises due to the resignation of Lyman Wax who formerly was the agent. Fred Lumm and Harry Hall have been nominated for the ballot. Voting will take place at the union hall, it was stated.

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