

EAGLE EDITORIALS

SUGGESTION FOR A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PROGRAM—

THIS WEEK, Tuesday, marked the first meeting of the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce under the guidance of new officers. The officers are to serve for the coming year and in order that the commercial club may not flounder to a complete loss it will be necessary for its board of directors to devise a program upon which basis chamber work may continue to fruitfulness.

Not too broad a program should be adopted for little definite result can be expected from too much diversification for that will lead to partially completed effort. That is not to say that consideration should not be given any matter demanding the action of a chamber of commerce but it is to say that the main ideal should be some definite program.

This publication has for the past two and one-half years maintained that development of agriculture for the Nehalem Valley was a means of providing livelihood for valley residents when timber resources in quantity are exhausted. That idea is one held by many others likewise. Development of logged land to the end that it is suitable for extensive pasturing and the placing of people on that land for its utilization is a problem needing the attention and backing of every resident with intentions of maintaining residence here. Other organizations have already devoted much of their time to the problem but further assistance can well be devoted to the problem.

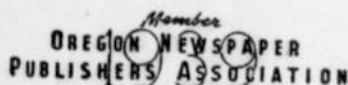
For the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce to devote itself to a program of land development would be one that will certainly prove valuable to the community in future years. In fact, the problem is one that, if solved, will mean a much brighter future for this valley. The solving of that problem is one that cannot be accomplished by any small number of men. The problem requires attention from every business man, every farmer, every stockman and officials of the county officials who must look to a future development of the land in order that tax structures may be maintained.

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GIRL SCOUTS HAVE AN ANNIVERSARY—

THIS WEEK marks an anniversary of the founding of the Girl Scout organization. Mention of the origin of the organization and some of its purposes might well be made in remembering this anniversary.

The Girl Scout movement developed from the Boy Scout and Girl Guild organizations which were initiated in England by Lord Baden-Powell. It was brought to this country by Juliette Low in 1912, when she formed a Girl Scout troop at her home in Savannah, Georgia, and adapted the program to the needs of American girls. That group of Savannah girls was the first unit of a national organization that today numbers among its members more than 400,000 girls and leaders. There are Girl Scouts today in cities, towns, villages and rural areas all over the United States and in 31 countries throughout the world.

The ideals and objectives of Girl Scouting are similar to those desired by all organizations in the modern community which have to do with girls and boys—among them, the home, the church, the school; to provide each Girl Scout with opportunities for wholesome recreation and the discovery of hobbies that may be of lifelong interest to her; to help each girl develop as an individual and learn to get along with people; to give each girl the opportunity and the desire to be of service to others, and to develop qualities that will make her a good citizen in a changing society; to help each girl acquire satisfactory ideals and high standards of behavior.

THE GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

On my honor, I will try:
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people at all times,
To obey the Girl Scout Laws.

GIRL SCOUT LAWS

- I. A Girl Scout's honor is to be trusted.
- II. A Girl Scout is loyal.
- III. A Girl Scout's duty is to be useful and to help others.
- IV. A Girl Scout is a friend to all and a sister to every other Girl Scout.
- V. A Girl Scout is courteous.
- VI. A Girl Scout is a friend to animals.
- VII. A Girl Scout obeys orders.
- VIII. A Girl Scout is cheerful.
- IX. A Girl Scout is thrifty.
- X. A Girl Scout is clean in thought, word and deed.

THIS YEAR—A SKILLORAMA—

HERETOFORE A Boy Scout circus has been held every two years to display to parents and other interested persons the many attainments of the Boy Scouts. This year the affair is to be held again but is to be presented under a different title, the "Skillorama." The event is set for the Portland civic auditorium and promises to eclipse any gigantic activity yet sponsored by the scouts. More than 100 exhibits will be shown and troops and packs from Clackamas, Washington, Yamhill, Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco and Multnomah counties in Oregon will participate.

The "Skillorama" will be an open book for parents to help them understand their boys better by showing them what other boys like to do. Members of the Vernonia Scouts are preparing for the event as are other Scouts of the Portland area. The attendance of parents at the event will be well worth the effort.

plans for the new addition to the high school building.

The extension and improvement program at the high school, along with equipment and completion of the swimming pool facilities, will cost \$49,500. This sum was raised by the district with a bond issued at a special election.

POSTAL RECEIPTS INCREASE MARKED—

Both postal receipts and money orders issued from the St. Helens postoffice during February were considerably ahead of the corresponding month in 1939, the report issued by Postmaster Susan B. Dillard shows. Postal receipts for February were \$1606.29 and the 1633 money orders issued amounted to \$14,881.76.

The postal receipts show a gain of \$101.32 over the \$1504.97 in February of 1939. In February of last year, 1582 money orders totaling \$13,576.34 were issued. The gain in money orders last month was \$1305.42.

Clatskanie--

PARK PROJECT STARTS SOON—

A Clatskanie city park improvement and beautification project with National Youth Administration labor and a WPA foreman furnished by the city is expected to be underway the first of the week, according to recent information.

The project was first recommended by the Clatskanie Garden club with the cooperation of NYA author-

Crushing the World



ities who have 10 local boys out of school and between the ages of 18 and 25 signed up for work on the project.

The Forum

Editor:

I was in Salem from Friday to Sunday afternoon. Our work is not quite finished so I can't tell about the fine bill we settled on. There were twelve bills read to the convention for us to digest and try to lodge the many things that would either utterly destroy or discourage those who want nothing but just, honest plans for us all. We considered the youth, the tax payers, and the aged parents too. It is too soon for me to hear for this week's paper just what we have decided on. The hall in the Chamber of Commerce building was well filled. We had a fine gathering from all over the state. Even people not on the state board were there to listen in. Everyone was awake, and interested. We considered all the different bills and settled on the one simple, straight, easily understood bill, yet a protection to the aged ones against many of the ills that have crept in, even though illegal.

Friday night we heard Mr. Alex Gabrielson, who is a member of the legislature of the State of Washington and now is a candidate for governor of that state. He is a very tall man, dark and very Lincolnlike in appearance and one of the softest, most gentle spoken men I ever met. He has always been strongly pension-minded. We met in one of the large schools. We had singing by everyone, God Bless America, America, Home on the Range and several others. The song leader and pianist was a white-haired gentleman. Our state board was personally introduced and the reason for being in their city was mentioned. Salem certainly treated us all well. It did not seem to own such a thing as a rude person, not even a rude child. "Salem did itself Proud."

I hope to have some very interesting news next week.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. A. E. Jennings
P. S. I want to publicly thank the C. I. O. Union for its splendid help in getting to Salem. Its action was generous and so cheerfully done.

Eagle Items Of Past Years

ONE YEAR AGO—

Delegates from various fraternal organizations in the city met to devise a plan for raising funds to be used for the beautification of the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

C. S. Merydith, District Representative for the Department of Agriculture, was in the valley making an inspection of dairy barns.

FIVE YEARS AGO—

A chamber of commerce resolution was passed giving support to the Hillsboro and Forest Grove chambers seeking construction of the Buxton-Banks portion of the Wolf Creek highway before any other part of the road.

TEN YEARS AGO—

Damage estimated at \$1,000 was caused by a fire in the casket display room of the Brown Undertaking parlor.

J. J. McGhee sold his half interest in the Vernonia Bakery and purchased a bakery in Grand Junction, Colorado.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO—

Word was circulated that the

Vernonia hospital would close down due to failure to meet expenses.

Harry Culbertson was constructing a new home on his property on Weed Avenue.

F. E. Malmsten was making plans for a new residence on his property opposite the Washington school.



Oregon's traffic death rate for the month of January was 9.8 persons killed per 100,000,000 miles of motor vehicle travel on the streets and highways of the state, it was announced today by Earl Snell, secretary of state. This rate compares to the figure of 11.8 for January, 1939.

There were 18 persons killed in January's traffic accidents compared to 20 for the corresponding

LODGES

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

Vernonia F. O. E.
(Fraternal Order of Eagles)
Legion 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.
Sara Drorbaugh, W. M. 1/40
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.
Roland Treharne, W. M.
Glenn F. Hawkins, Sec.

VERNONIA POST 119 AMERICAN LEGION
Meets First and Third Wednesdays

AUXILIARY
First and Third Mondays

month of 1939. Mileage in the state in January totaled 182,953,914, as computed from gasoline consumption while for the same month last year the mileage was 169,936,741.

Thus, while gasoline consumption increased 7.65 percent, indicating the increase in traffic, deaths dropped ten percent.

"Oregon motorists have made a good start for the year 1940," Snell declared, "let's hope the January trend will be continued throughout the year."

Business-Professional Directory

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The Apparel Shop

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COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

SCAPOOSE ASKS FOR NEW DEPOT—

A resolution requesting the S. P. & S. railroad to erect a modern depot to replace the present one at Scappoose, was adopted by the members of the Scappoose Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening.

The action of the chamber members was taken following announcement by S. P. & S. officials that the present depot will be moved across the tracks to make way for a 40-car loading spur to be used in the shipment of iron ore from back of Scappoose to the Sierra Iron Company at Vancouver, Washington.

S. F. HEUMANN, FAIR

MANAGER, RESIGNS POST—

While S. F. (Heinie) Heumann handed his written resignation as manager and treasurer of the Columbia county fair to the members of the county court Thursday afternoon, Judge J. B. Wilkerson and Commissioner William Pringle, Sr., and J. N. Miller refused to accept it. Judge Wilkerson reports the members are desirous of Mr. Heumann continuing at the post for at least another year.

SCHOOL BOARD TO MEET MONDAY—

Board of director members of the St. Helens school district will hold their monthly meeting in the office of Superintendent Fred J. Patton, next Monday evening. The main order of business will be going over

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J. A. Thornburg, President.
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