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C of C Membership Drive Dinner Slated Next Tuesday Eve

Program Planned for Entertainment Following Banquet

An evening banquet meeting of the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce is slated at the Masonic Temple for Tuesday evening of the coming week according to an announcement made this week by S. M. Hearing, chamber president. The affair is being staged as a drive for membership for the chamber.

During the evening several musical numbers will be heard, some of them being furnished by a group of musicians from Linfield college, that group having appeared here a short time ago at the high school and having been well received by the students. Dinner for the evening will be cooked by the Nehalem Social Club and served at 6:30.

It is generally conceded that the chamber of commerce can be of great benefit to the community but to carry on the work necessary, a much larger membership must be gained, hence the drive being staged at this time. The appointment of committees and the drafting of a program for the year will be made when a greater number of members and more cooperation is obtained, stated President Hearing.

CMTC Date Set For July 2 to 31 At Vancouver

Young Men to Develop Closer National, Social Unity

Word has been received that the Citizens' Military Training Camp will be held at Vancouver, Barracks, Washington, this year during the period July 2nd to July 31st. The Vancouver Barracks District is comprised of the State of Oregon and the Counties of Clark, Cowitz, Klickitat, Skamania, and Wahkiakum of the State of Washington. The quota for this year has been tentatively set at 593.

The objects of these camps are to bring together young men of high type and thereby develop closer national and social unity; to teach the privileges, duties and responsibilities of American Citizenship; to stimulate patriotism; to interest young men in the importance of military training; to teach self-discipline and obedience, and to develop the physical standard of American youth through participation in military exercises, athletics, games and sports, conducted under expert directors.

The benefits derived from attendance at these camps are secured without necessary expense to the trainee, as the War Department provides transportation to the camps and return, board, lodging, expert medical attention, uniforms, equipment, arms and laundry.

Transportation tickets for travel will be issued all accepted CMTC applicants living more than 50 miles from camp, and the applicant reimbursed 1c a mile for meals upon arrival at and departure from camp. Those applicants living within a 50-mile zone of camp may be granted the mileage privilege.

Boys entering camp must be between the ages of 17 and 29 years, of average general intelligence, able to read and write, and be of good moral character.

Applicants desiring to enroll should send inquiry in the form of a letter, post card, telephone or personal call to the office of the CMTC Officer, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, or contact W. F. McDonald at the Vernonia high school.

April 16th Last Day of Registration

Oregon Gas Office to Be Open from 7 to 9 April 4, 11 and 16

A statement by Mrs. E. H. Washburn this week made known that he will be at the Oregon Gas and Electric company office on the evenings of April 4, 11 and 16 between the hours of 7 and 9 p. m. for the convenience of those persons who have failed to register to vote in the coming primary election slated for May 17.

Registration books will be closed on the evening of April 16, that being the last day permitted by law for registration, so that those who have not attended to the detail, whether they be new residents in this territory or whether their residence has changed, must fill in the necessary card in order to participate in the ballot.

Heinzen Services Read Wed.

Interment Held at Buxton for 51-Year Resident of Valley

Funeral services were held at the Buxton Catholic church Wednesday or Engelbert Heinzen who homesteaded near Vernonia 51 years ago. Heinzen was born July 16, 1858 in Thuer, Germany and passed away March 31 at the age of 81 years, eight months and 16 days. He never married and had no relatives in the United States. Burial took place in the Buxton cemetery Wednesday.

Heinzen came to Vernonia 51 years ago to file homestead papers. For a number of years he made his home with Gus Schmidlin who passed away in August of last year.

Stockmen To Meet April 19

County Association to Convene for Evening Session Here

An interesting meeting of the Columbia County Livestock Association is slated for Vernonia on the evening of Friday, April 19 at the Grange hall according to a recent statement by the association president, E. A. McDonald.

An invitation to all members of the association, to others engaged in agricultural pursuits and to business men is extended to attend on that evening.

Band Concert Slated

Friday, April 19 Is Date Named by Director C. R. Watts

A concert of the Vernonia junior bands is slated for the evening of Friday, April 19, is the announcement made this week by C. R. Watts, director. The concert will be heard at the Washington grade school auditorium.

According to Mr. Watts the concert will be delivered by the two bands now under his direction, the band made up of grade school students and the advanced band. Also to be featured during the evening will be a contest of band majorettes to be judged on the basis of military precision and twirling. Judges for the contest have not as yet been selected, it was stated. Eight majorettes will probably enter the contest.

Funds derived from admission for the evening will go for the purpose of defraying band expenses during the coming summer season.

Funeral for Ray Baker Held Wed.

Man Well-Known Here to Be Buried at Lincoln Memorial Park

Funeral services for Ray Baker, brother of Frank Baker, were held in Portland Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. at the Holman and Lutz Drawing Room Chapel. Mr. Baker was well known in this vicinity having acted as logging superintendent for the Hammond logging operations, superintendent for a CCC camp and having been employed by Clark and Willson.

Surviving relatives of Mr. Baker are his wife, Rosy S. Baker; a son, Leone B. Smith; sister, Mrs. George Nichols and Mrs. Barbara Rhodes of Portland and Mrs. Gerald Gower of Newberg; brothers, Colonel Alvin C. and A. Frank Baker of Portland, and Andrew L. Baker of Salem and grandchildren, Ray M. and Wilbur J. Smith, Jr.

Interment was held at the Lincoln Memorial Park.

Bounty Funds Exhausted for Calendar Year

\$3,000 Paid Out For Wildcat Pelts So Far During Year

Funds provided by law for the payment of bounties on wildcats have been exhausted for the present calendar year according to announcement made by the Oregon State Game Commission.

A sum of \$3000 was set up for the payment of wildcat bounties during 1940 and this sum having been expended, further bounties on "cats" will not be available until January 1, 1941.

There are still funds available for the payment of bounties on cougars and wolves, it was announced.

Wes Boughner Relatives Located

Relatives of Wes Boughner, well-known local man, were located recently near Saginaw, Michigan. It was made known this week by Orvel Edwards who is planning to communicate with the eastern people.

Boughner, resident of Vernonia

for a number of years, had not heard from his family for 40 years, he said, and had no knowledge of their activities. A newspaper account of a recent accident suffered by Boughner made possible his location by them.

Mr. Edwards has stated that by

WATER RATES DROP

May Day Plans Now Underway

Grade, High School Talent to Be Combined for Program

With talent from the grade schools and the high school combined under the directorship of Miss Alvenia Connell of the high school and Miss Mary Fossatti of the grade school, plans for a colorful and appealing May Day program are under way, according to reports from school officials. Music will be commemorated at the same time as a part of the May Day activities.

The theme of the program is based on Tchaikowski's "Nutcracker Suite", a well-loved and familiar group of musical descriptions which offer beautiful accompaniments for the dances planned and for the winding of the May pole, climax of the afternoon's performance.

High school students have already made plans for the selection of the May Day queen whose procession with her princesses and whose coronation are the most enjoyed of the day's activities.

New Laws to Effect All Motorists

Oregon Drivers to Be Re-Tested Once Every Four Years

Every motorist in Oregon will be affected by the 1939 vehicle code amendment according to the legal department of the Oregon State Motor Association. The new law calls for the re-testing of Oregon drivers at least once every four years.

Important points of the law outlined by the Motor Association are: 1. Licenses now held will expire in 1941 and may be renewed then for a two year period (until 1943). But before the 1943 renewal can be made, the automobile operator's examination must have been taken.

2. Licenses will continue on a two year basis—renewal to be made in 1941, 1943, 1945, etc. But the examinations must be passed every four years. Thus a man might get his 1941 license without an examination: take an examination for his 1943 license; get the 1945 license without an examination; must have an examination for his 1947 license.

There is no charge for the examinations. Drivers may be given the examinations at any time upon application at the license bureau.

4. Drivers are warned, however, that failure to pass the examination when it is taken may mean the suspension of their permits. No one should take the examination without carefully preparing himself by studying the pamphlet—"Operator's Manual" which is supplied free by the Secretary of State's Office.

FEW SUFFER BY PRANKS, JOKES APRIL FIRST

April first seems to have passed quietly for most people of the valley, with, of course, the usual minor jokes which transpire, according to any reports made. Few, if any, anonymous phone calls attempting to "fool" the receiving party were made and no mention was heard of attempted jokes of the practical kind by which the subject is instructed to go to some distant point in search of such objects as left-handed monkey wrenches. All in all the day was apparently little out of the ordinary for nearly everyone.

Scholarship Available to Students

Candidate to Be Chosen by Principal, Faculty, Stated

Principal McCrae issued for publication this week the announcement of the state-wide fifth annual Aaron M. Frank four-year college scholarship which allows the high school student selected to attend any institution in the state and provides for payment of all tuition, fees and supplies for the four year period.

The candidate will be chosen by the high school principal and faculty upon consideration of the following points, covering the four year period of high school: Scholarship record; Activities; Community record; and athletic record. The fifteen candidates considered to have the best records will be brought to Portland for a personal interview with the scholarship committee; the successful candidate will be chosen from this group; expenses will be paid for the trip to Portland.

April 15 is the closing date for filing the applications with J. L. Gary, Secretary of the Aaron M. Frank Scholarship Foundation, Mr. Gary is superintendent of the West Linn schools and was to have served on the Education Survey Committee which evaluated the Scappoose high school last month, the same committee on which Principal McCrae worked, but due to the fire which did considerable damage to the school in West Linn Mr. Gary was unable to serve.

10 Communicable Diseases Reported—

A weekly bulletin issued by the Oregon State Board of Health for the week ending March 30 listed eight communicable diseases in Columbia county. Of those reported one was a case of measles, one whooping cough and eight mumps. The percent of physicians reporting was 93.

Traveling Examiner Due Here April 11—

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Vernonia on Thursday, April 11, and will be on duty at the city hall between the hours of 10 a. m. and 5 p. m. All those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during these hours.

Pre-State Convention Rally Slated—

A meeting of the Wildwood Christian Endeavor Union executives and pre-state convention rally is slated for Scappoose at the Congregational church, Saturday, April 6 at 7 p. m. It is announced this week by the union secretary. Entertainment will be provided by the Portland Christian Endeavor Union.

Council Orders Change

Reduction to Become Effective May 1, Stated; Resolution Adopted

City councilmen, Monday evening, devoted the first part of the first-of-the-month meeting to placing the official ok on monthly bills and then launched into a discussion of a reduction of water rates for users of the water system.

A discussion of the present rate and the decision to adopt a reduction was reached so that users will now be charged less per month than has been the case formerly. To make clear the reduction, given below is the old rate system of the water department:

During the months of June, July, August and September the rate was \$2.00 for any amount of water consumed up to 4,500 gallons. During remaining months of the year the \$2.00 was charged for allowance up to 3,000. For over-consumption over the amounts listed above 40 cents per thousand gallons was charged for the first 10,000 gallons, 30 cents per thousand for the next 30,000 gallons, 20 cents per thousand for the next 70,000, and 15 cents for all gallonage over that amount.

The new rates to become effective May 1 will be as follows: During the months of June, July, August and September a minimum charge of \$1.75 will be made for allowance up to 5,500. For remaining months of the year the charge will be \$1.75 for allowance up to 3,000. Overrun charges will be 35 cents per thousand gallons for the first 10,000 gallons, 25 cents per thousand for the next 30,000 gallons, 15 cents per thousand for the next 60,000 gallons and 10 cents per thousand for all consumption over that amount.

Further business of the council during the evening was the adoption of a resolution granting authority to issue a deed to the Assembly of God church for property in the city.

Enumerators Of Census Named

Appointments Made for Work Starting Monday of This Week

A. R. McCall, district supervisor in charge of the census, last week named the enumerators to gather information for the population and farm census which started Tuesday, April 2.

The following appointments were made for the Vernonia precincts: Precinct one, Mrs. Alice Estey; precinct two, Mrs. Anna Luther; precinct three, Carl B. Halverson, and precinct four, Mrs. Ross Duncan.

The census will last about two weeks in cities and towns and a month in the country.

Donations to Fund Acceptable—

An announcement this week made known that considerable donations had been made to the Finnish Relief Fund by employees of the Oregon American Lumber Corporation. With the announcement came the statement that anyone wishing to contribute to the cause might do so, sending their donations to Merle Ruhl at the Oregon American office. Checks should be made out to the Finnish Relief Fund. They will be forwarded to headquarters for the Hoover Finnish Relief Fund, it was stated.