

COMMENTS OF THE WEEK

WE FAIL TO COMPLIMENT BUT WE ALWAYS COMPLAIN—

IT MIGHT well be said by one who has observed that we fail to compliment but we always complain. Perhaps an elaboration of the statement is necessary to make more evident the intended meaning. For example a family attends the movies on a certain evening and is pleasantly entertained. On another evening the same family attends the show but is not so pleased with the production being shown so immediately mention is made of the dislike for the presentation. Was anything said of the other time when the entertainment was appreciated? Very likely not.

That example is applicable at many other times, not necessarily for entertainment provided, but can easily be true in the daily contacts one individual has with another. We nearly always make it a point to mention dislikes but seldom or never give voice to appreciation when it is justly deserved.

It has been stated by executives that a little praise is far more worthwhile in business dealings or has far greater effect in obtaining goodwill of employes than the voicing of complaints.

OPEN SEASON CONVENIENT IT SEEMS—

THE OFFICIALS synopsis of Oregon Angling Laws this year has changed the date of the opening of trout fishing season from April 15, as it was in 1939, to April 13. The change will, no doubt, be welcomed by those who are confined to offices for the change will make it possible for those individuals to enjoy an extra week-end of fishing. Otherwise they must await the coming of another week-end should their duties prevent enjoyment of the pastime.

The April 15th date last year gave them the week-end for the 15th came on Saturday. It is perhaps permissible to wonder if the Game Commission members were not thinking of themselves when the change was made for they too would perhaps be confined to duties during the week. Anyway, the change does give an extra week-end of fishing to many lovers of the sport.

PROPER POLICY WILL PROVIDE A SUBSTANTIAL FUTURE—

THE PROPER policy in the sale of county-owned land may be said to be the basis upon which the brightness of the future depends for a large portion of Columbia county. Much of the land now being turned back to the county and the land that has already been turned back must be resold to provide future revenue for county government. The basis upon which that land is again placed in private hands may mean much in future years.

For example one policy is that followed in a neighboring county where large blocks of county land has been logged and has reverted to county ownership. Within the past few months a considerable portion of that land has been again sold to private parties. The sales have been of large blocks of land for a small price per acre. The small price will make a low valuation which in turn will provide only a small tax return in the future.

Another method of sale and one which seems to draw favorable comment from a number is one which to some extent has been followed in this county—selling the land in somewhat small quantities to a number of individuals who in turn plan to make their homes on their property and attempt to develop that property so that it will provide a livelihood for them. In that way more return can be expected by the county and population will be increased so that a brighter future can be expected.

The land utilization committee of the county has devoted considerable time to study of the uses of land, whether it is most valuable for pasture or reseeded to timber. The efforts of that committee when receiving the support of the county court can mean a good deal in the future especially of the Upper Nehalem Valley.

ATTENDANCE WILL BE TIME WELL SPENT—

THE COLUMBIA County Livestock Association has set the place of its meeting this month for Vernonia on the evening of April 19. Attendance at that meeting will be well worth the effort spent in coming, if the meeting here can be judged by other meetings of the association.

The association can be said to be a highly important factor in the furthering of the interests of stockmen in the county for it has been instrumental in bringing about important movements both for improvement of the industry and for the protection of its members. It is possible to learn something new each time for discussions revolve about the problems at hand, suggestions are offered and action taken to make the suggestions effective. Interesting speakers are often invited to offer information on problems at hand. The meeting in Vernonia will have something of value to offer those who attend.

THIS WEEK COMMEMORATES A NATIONAL SPORT—

ACCORDING TO those who, each year, name the dates of weeks for the consideration of special events the week from March 30 to April 6 has been set aside for the great American game of baseball. Weeks have been set aside for many things and baseball seems, especially to those who are ardent fans, perhaps more appropriate of mention than some.

The game has provided entertainment for untold thousands, entertainment which relieves the stress of daily life, entertainment which provides an endless topic of conversation. The week in itself is well worth setting aside for mention of a sport acclaimed by so many.



ning at John Gumm school and completed plans for the sale. Proceeds from the button sale will be used to promote the program this year and defray the expense of the John Gumm field and its lights.

Clatskanie—

FISHERMEN WILL VOTE ON PRICE— Gillnet fishermen, members of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective union, will have an election to see whether or not they shall accept the new price offer of the packers.

The outcome of the balloting will be announced on April 8th. Packers have offered 12 1/2 cents for salmon to August 1; 8 1/2 cents from August 1 to 10, and 6 1/2 cents from August 10 to the end of the season. They have agreed to pay 12 1/2 cents for bluebacks; 6c for steelheads; and 3c for roe shad.

The union has asked 15c for salmon until the first of August and from then until the season ends, 10c. They have wanted 10c for steelheads and 5c for roe shad.

Eagle Items Of Past Years

ONE YEAR AGO— Members of the city council cemetery committee were interested in starting the work of seeding the Vernonia Memorial cemetery. The soil had dried sufficiently to permit the work to start.

Members of the Vernonia softball league met to make arrangements for a parade to officially open the softball season on May 1.

FIVE YEARS AGO— Seventy-five dollars was raised for the American Legion ambulance fund in less than 24 hours, reported J. L. Timmons, who had charge of soliciting. Total indebtedness was \$97.

Fred H. Veith, forman in The Vernonia Eagle print shop for five years left for Vancouver, Washington, to be employed in the shop of the Clark County Sun.

TEN YEARS AGO— Information was received from Postmaster Emil Messing that the new post office would be moved into the new quarters in the Early building on Bridge street.

George A. Bauman, district manager of the West Coast Telephone company, at a Chamber of Commerce meeting told of plans to construct a line to Mist.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO— Judd Greenman, for 14 years manager of the Union Mills near Olympia, Washington, has been named superintendent of the Oregon American mill to replace E. E. Hayes, resigned.

Beginning next week one mile of concrete pavement will be laid along the Nehalem highway the other side of the mile bridge. The work will be done under the supervision of J. E. Ellertson, road master, and Peter Bergerson, road supervisor.



Jaywalking, or crossing streets between intersections, resulted in 3,290 pedestrian deaths in the United States during the year 1939, according to figures on a national survey received by Earl Snell, secretary of state, today.

This was 26.4 percent of all pedestrian deaths during the year. In addition to the death toll, there were 68,460 persons injured in this type of accident, 23.3 percent of all pedestrians injured during the year. In Oregon, 12.3 percent of the pedestrian deaths for the year involved persons crossing streets between intersections.

The second most dangerous pedestrian activity, as indicated by the national figures, was walking on rural highways, Snell said. A total of 2,180 persons was killed in this type of accident, 17.5 percent of the total pedestrian toll for the year.

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

Knights of Pythias Harding Lodge No. 116 Vernonia, Oregon Meetings—1. O. O. F. Hall, Second and Fourth Mondays Each Month.

Pythian Sisters Vernonia Temple No. 61 Vernonia, Oregon Meetings—1. 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. 1140 Mrs. Helen Dewey, Secretary

A. F. & A. M. Vernonia Lodge No. 184 A. F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Temple, State 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.

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year. Another 10,870 persons were injured while walking on rural highways, but this figure was only 1.7 percent of the total injured, indicating that a very large percentage of car-pedestrian collisions on rural highways resulted in fatalities.

The typical accident victim of 1939, as described in the national survey, was a pedestrian over 40 years of age who had never learned to drive a car and whose walking habits had been learned when automobiles were fewer and slower than they are today. He was wearing dark clothing and was struck between the hours of six and seven o'clock in the evening just as he stepped out from between two parked cars preparatory to crossing a street between intersections.

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COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

PULP AND PAPER COMPANY TO BUILD \$75,000 WAREHOUSE—
Construction of a new storage warehouse for the St. Helens Pulp & Paper Company will be started immediately by a crew employed by George H. Buckler, Portland contractor.

tractor. Cost of the structure, which will be used for storage of paper stock, will be \$75,000.00, company officials report. The building will have a floor area 115 by 275 feet and will be single story in height. The floor will be of reinforced concrete and the remainder of the building of wood construction.

INITIAL 1940 TAX TURNOVER MADE ON WEDNESDAY—

Initial turnover of the 1940 tax was made to County Treasurer Gladys E. Peterson on Tuesday and the checks to cities, drainage districts, school districts, road districts and fire patrol were placed in the mail by her on Wednesday evening. The turnover amounts to \$274,199.74, Mrs. Peterson reports.

CITY WELL FLOWS 300-GALLONS PER MINUTE—

Official test of the new municipal well near the McBride school proved satisfactory when it was found that the flow was around 300 gallons per minute. During a 14-hour period Wednesday, the pump produced 298 gallons per minute.

Samples of the water, taken every hour, have been sent to the state health department for testing as to purity. City officials report the water is soft, and will probably be pumped into the distribution mains instead of relayed to the reservoir if its purity is oked by the state health department.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE OPENS BOOSTER BUTTON SALE—

The sale of booster buttons for the St. Helens Softball League program this summer was opened by members this morning (Friday), says Hobart R. O'Dell, league president. The members met last eve-

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