

COMMENTS OF THE WEEK

CHEAP BUT GOOD ADVERTISING FOR VERNONIA—

THE INTEREST and cooperation of Vernonia citizens is to be aroused with regard to the Vernonia Junior Band which now has slated a concert and majorette contest for Friday evening of next week. The band has been active in past years to an extent that Vernonia has derived considerable benefit in an advertising vein from band appearances at different summer events in a number of cities of this state and some in Washington.

The Friday night concert, for which tickets are to be placed on sale by members of the group, is being staged in an attempt to raise funds necessary to defray traveling and other expenses which the organization must incur in order to make its appearances.

The band is well-uniformed and well-trained for marching and concert appearances. The training and uniforming make public appearances impressive in no small degree. When those appearances are made Vernonia is benefitted accordingly but the benefit is far greater in proportion than the expense.

WATER USERS WILL WELCOME THE REDUCTION—

WELCOME NEWS last week was the city council decision to reduce water rates in Vernonia. The reduction, one which many have thought needed for some time, should, in general, make for an improvement of summer residential upkeep by now providing a greater amount of water at less cost to the consumer so that he may water lawns during dry months. As has been the case previously, little watering was done for it was possible to easily exceed the amount of minimum charge.

The reduction will be greatly appreciated.

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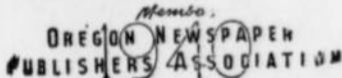
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Official newspaper of Vernonia, Oregon



REGISTER BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE, APRIL 16—

BUT A short time remains for the convenience of those people who have not as yet registered for the voting privilege in the May primary election on the 17th of that month.

A lot has been said extolling the importance of exercising the right of vote. At the same time it has probably been said, "What difference does my vote make among the many that will be cast?" Probably the one vote makes little effect on the final count but should it happen that many people are of that opinion, then tabulation of the votes cast will show results of the indifference.

Frequently it so happens that complaint arises as to results of an election and again frequently that complaint is voiced by one who failed to cast his vote. Should that be the case, certainly no objection should be voiced for the person concerned is himself to blame.

For that reason, among many others, register before the closing date, April 16th, and be not one of those failing in duty for duty it is after all.

IT SHOULD BE SAFE TO HAZARD THIS GUESS—

CONSIDERABLE COMMENT has been voiced regarding the proposed PUD district for the Upper Nehalem Valley since a group of men became sufficiently interested in the proposition to map out prospective boundaries, file petitions and seek the names of those who would serve as directors should approval be obtained when the matter came to vote.

Up to the present time by far the large majority of those comments being voiced in Vernonia have favored the district and several steps have been taken to explain the "workings" of the district such as its cost, means by which it would be formed, its operation and benefits to be derived therefrom.

The question of a district here once before came to the attention of voters and previous to that time a good deal of information was presented on both sides, both for and against. Remembering some of the arguments at that time and the fact that few statements against have been made up to now, it should be safe to hazard a guess that considerable argument against will be made before too long a time. However, whatever may be said, The Eagle, as before, will remain neutral editorially on the problem.

GOING—GOING—GONE!

He had his father's business,
But he was not as wise,
He said—"We'll save the money
It takes to advertise.
We've got the business going,
I'll sit and take the cash.
Why squander gold for printing,
The business cannot crash."

Things prospered for a season.
He thought he could pull through,
Then sales began to dwindle;
The why—nobody knew.
He soon grew fretful, worried,
His face was pale and drawn.
The business "kept on going"—
Going—now it's gone.

April Showers



Clatskanie--

PARMAN BOOSTS LOGGED-OFF LAND—

The logged-off lands of Clatsop and Columbia counties are "just about a stockman's dream," according to Wilfred Parman of Condon, who spoke recently before the Clatsop County Livestock association at its annual meeting in Jewell.

The Parmans, sheep raisers in eastern Oregon for several years, recently purchased 6000 acres of stump land near Birkenfeld for livestock raising. They contemplate an investment of \$60,000 in their operation there.

They eventually plan to fence off their 6000 acres into 600 or 700 acre plats and to pasture both sheep and beef cattle the year round as well as bring in bands of sheep from eastern Oregon for summer pasturage.

PARALYSIS FUND DIVIDED SAYS CALDWELL—

George Caldwell, county chairman for the Infantile Paralysis fund, stated yesterday that Columbia county's 50 per cent that they kept for underprivileged work has been apportioned out. \$175 had been sent to the Shrine hospital and \$175 will be sent to Dorenbeker. Some money was kept in the county to take care of any emergency that might arise.



The elderly pedestrian who is struck by an automobile, runs one chance in four of being killed in the accident as compared to the odds for children under 14 who run but one chance in 24 of being killed, figures compiled by Earl Snell, secretary of state, disclosed today.

Analyzing the 1939 pedestrian accident reports, Snell found that persons 55 years of age or older are more often killed when involved in traffic accidents than the young persons, probably because young bones mend more easily and painful injuries are less likely to result in serious shock for them, it was explained.

Here are your chances in case you are involved in a pedestrian-auto collision:

- 0 to 4 age group, one accident in every 63 results fatally to pedestrians.
- 5 to 14 age group, one out of every 21.
- 15 to 24 age group, one out of every 16.
- 25 to 39 age group, one out of every nine.
- 40 to 54 age group, one out of every eight.
- 55 to 64 age group, one out of every four.
- 65 and over, one out of every four.

SEVERAL ATTEND WEST OREGON LIVE- STOCK MEETING

STONE POINT—(Special to The Eagle)—G. C. Kirkbride, C. C. Van Doren, Herbert Counts and Will Chalmers drove to St. Helens last Friday to attend a meeting of the County Livestock Grazing Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner, Mrs. William Jacobs, Mrs. Riley Hall and daughter, Dorothy, motored to Portland Tuesday where Miss Dorothy entered the Shriner's hospital for surgery work to be done on her hand which she injured three years ago.

G. C. Kirkbride motored to Portland Monday to consult his physician in regard to his health.

G. C. Kirkbride accompanied E.

A. McDonald, Victor Bergerson, C. C. Van Doren and W. E. Crawford to Corvallis last Wednesday where they attended the meeting of the Western Oregon Livestock Association.

Mrs. Maude DePue and children, Bob and Margaret, and Thelma Wilkerson returned last Tuesday evening from Junction City, California, after a week's visit with relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Davis, son, Harold, and Miss Dorothy Webb spent Sunday at Arch Cove, below Cannon Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner and children and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Davis spent Friday evening at the Charles Justice home, south of

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8 P. M.
Wallace McCrae, N. G.
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V. F. W.

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Vernonia
Friday Nights
8 o'clock

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Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings—I. O. O. F.
Hall, Second and
Fourth Mondays Each
Month.

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Vernonia, Oregon
Meetings— I. O. O. F. Hall
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Meets First and
Third Wednesdays

AUXILIARY
First and Third Mondays

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McGee and daughter, Bonnie, of Mist and Mrs. Don DePue of Junction City, California, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Maude DePue and family.

Mrs. Perry Mellinger attended a birthday party Monday honoring Mrs. Alice Pierce on Keasey road.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Browning and son, Otto, motored to Silver Creek, Washington, where they attended a birthday dinner honoring Mr. Browning's mother, Mrs. R. M. Short.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Mellinger and grandson, Billie Mellinger, motored to Hillsboro Friday.

Perry Millinger is ill at his home with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bodell and children were Sunday evening visitors at the Kirkbride home.

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Tuesdays

COUNTY NEWS--

St. Helens--

VOTERS FLOCK TO REGISTER—

With the date for officially closing the registration books rapidly approaching, prospective voters are at present flocking to the office of County Clerk J. W. Hunt and other registration places in the county to sign the permanent rolls. The books will be closed by Clerk Hunt at 8:00 o'clock the evening of April 16 to conform with the state law.

Last Thursday, the registration files in the court house contained the signatures of 4,860 Democrats, 4,503 Republicans and 117 miscellaneous parties. The total of 9,480 registered voters compares with the all-time record of 10,000 prior to the last presidential election.

Persons not registering before the evening of April 16 will be denied the right to cast ballots at the primary election on May 17. More than 100 persons signed the permanent cards during the last week, Clerk Hunt's records show.

PORT DISTRICT TO BE CHAMBER TOPIC—

Importance of a port district to the industrial growth of St. Helens was stressed at the Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting held in the social room of the Methodist church at 6:30 o'clock Monday evening, April 15, says Charles N. Rogers, president. Due to the importance of this question at present, when large industrial concerns of the nation are seeking new sites along the Columbia river, every effort will be made by chamber mem-

bers to get as large a turnout for the meeting as possible.

SCHOOL BOARD ASKS FOR BIDS—

Bids for the construction of an addition to the St. Helens high school building will be received by members of the board of directors in the office of City Superintendent Fred J. Patton in the high school at 8:00 p. m. on Monday, April 22. The addition, its equipment and completion of minor parts of the new swimming pool will be financed by \$49,500.00 bond issue passed on by the voters at a special election several months ago.

Contractors wishing to submit bids may obtain plans and specifications from the city superintendent's office or from J. E. Doungny, architect.

GRAND JURY GOES INTO SESSION MONDAY—

The Columbia county grand jury has been called by District Attorney David O. Bennet to report for duty Monday morning. Members of the jury are T. F. Keasey and Ross Duncan, Vernonia; Donald Sundorland, Mist; M. L. Wilson, West St. Helens, and E. T. Haugeberg and George J. Winters, Rainier.

FORMER COUNTY JUDGE VISITS HERE LAST WEEK—

J. H. Wellington, former Columbia county judge, was in St. Helens for several days last week renewing acquaintances and transacting business both here and in Portland. Mr. Wellington reported that the heavy wind of last Friday created a din from the ocean but did little damage at Seaside.

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