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16 Planes Land Here on Sunday Trip

Sportsmen Pilots of Oregon Come to Vernonia for Breakfast

Sixteen planes landed Sunday morning on the Vernonia Airport, bringing pilots and passengers from Hillsboro, Beaverton and Portland for breakfast and a sight-seeing tour into the Nehalem Valley. The planes came on a tour arranged by the Sportsmen Pilots of Oregon, a flying club. The tour was one of a number made by the club during the year to different towns in the state.

Several reports indicated that a good turnout of Vernonia people were on hand to greet the flyers and conduct them back to the city where all enjoyed a breakfast served by the Nehalem Social Club at the Masonic Temple. The reports also indicated that a number of compliments were heard on the breakfast.

Tickets for the breakfast were sold here by members of the Vernonia Flyers and the chamber of commerce.

Defense Bond Sale Shows Increase Here

Approximately \$12,000 in Maturity Value Sold Since First of Month

The sale of Defense Savings Bonds is picking up considerably over the rate of sale when the bonds were first issued it was stated at the Vernonia post office this week. Since the first of the month of June approximately \$12,000 worth of bonds have been sold. The \$12,000 figure is based on the maturity value of the bonds.

The sale of savings stamps alone since June 1st had amounted to \$71.45 at the close of business June 16th, Monday.

An all-time peak had been reached in the amount of funds in postal savings, it was also stated. In that department at the close of business Monday, \$123,818 was on deposit.

Money order sales for the week of June 9 to 14 amounted to \$9,718.51 and brought fees of approximately \$100.

Pansy Plant Grows High

A pansy plant with a growth of 36 inches was on exhibit Monday at Sam and Bob's. The plant was brought there by Curtis Hess, a long-time resident of Treharne.

The plant has been staked so that it stood upright. A considerable number of blooms were counted, although not an exceptional number. However, the fact the blooms grew on stems of considerable length did create comment.

Defense Council Is Organized

Organization of a defense council in Columbia county was made last week, coming as a result of the President's declaration of an unlimited emergency and of Governor Sprague's naming in each county temporary chairmen to call meetings to name members to serve on the councils. The purpose of the groups is the organization of civilians for participation in defense activity; all volunteer service will be under the leadership and organization of the councils.

Members Named

County Judge Ray Tarbell was named by the Governor to serve as temporary chairman. Others on the committee are: Forest Klum, Wendell Hill, Mayor Milton J. Butler, Scappoose; Archie Newbold, John L. Foote, Mrs. Jeanetta Ostlund, Butler Clevinger, Ercel Ramey, Mayor Ray W. Simeral, Sheriff M. R. Calhoun, Miss Nettie Alley, St. Helens; Ben Pesaro, Major John Heglund, Columbia City; A. J. Unruh, Edward J. Dear, C. F. Puzey, Mrs. Melvenia Barr, Mayor Art Steele, Clatskanie; R. L. Voorhies, Prescott; A. R. McCall, A. S. May, Mayor Wilbur J. Smith, Rainier; W. A. Murphy, Goble; A. R. Mills, Birkenfeld; Harry Culbertson, J. W. Nichols, Bessie Lincoln, Mayor E. M. Bollinger, Vernonia; Earl Atkins, Wilark.

Citizens to Enroll

At the first session of the Columbia county council, a chairman, vice-chairman and coordinator or executive secretary will be selected. Following the first session, enrollment of citizens of the county in the Oregon civil reserves, from which active workers in home defense will be selected, will be carried on.

Funds for operating will be the problem of the council since no finances have been provided by the state or the federal units of our government for the committee's work.

Christian Church Convention Due

The 90th Annual State Convention of the Christian churches of Oregon is scheduled to meet on their spacious camping grounds at Turner June 24 to 29. With a tabernacle seating 2000 people, up-to-date camping facilities and an outstanding program, they are anticipating a record-breaking convention. Dr. Victor P. Morris, of the U. of O. faculty will be the principal speaker. Other talent includes prominent religious leaders from many parts of the world. Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Livingstone of Vernonia are elected as delegates and it is expected that a score or more in addition from the local church will be in attendance.

I. W. A. to Hold Election

Members of the Local 37 of the I. W. A. will hold election of local officers on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 19, 20 and 21, it was announced this week. At a special meeting on Friday night, June 20, only the Local will vote on the Columbia River Loggers' Agreement. This special meet is scheduled for 7:30 p. m.

Shingle Mill To Run for Sixty Days

Browning Bros. Circus Applies for Permit to Operate Here

A continuation of the discussion heard two weeks ago at the city council meeting was heard again Monday evening as determined at that previous time when it was decided to wait until L. C. Cotner, general manager of the Cedarwood Timber company, could be present and an attempt to reach an agreement on the question be made.

Agreement Made

Cotner was here Monday evening from Los Angeles to meet with the council and an agreement was made. As was decided, the mill will continue to operate for 60 days at the end of which time all cutting of shingle bolts will have been completed; the shake-manufacturing machine will be moved from the mill to the timber where the bolts are cut within 10 days; the mill will operate from 8 o'clock until 5 o'clock; sawdust from the conveyor and burner will be eliminated as much as possible by a sprinkler; and the back of the mill will be boarded up in an attempt to reduce the amount of sawdust.

Application Accepted

The council considered and accepted an application by the Browning Bros. circus to operate their shows here from July 8 to 12 under the sponsorship of the City Park Board. The circus guarantees \$150 for a license and a percentage of the gross income. The show will be set up in the park, it was stated.

Councilmen also appointed Robert Slawson as temporary life guard to take the place vacated by Noble Dutton during the time he is attending the National Aquatic School at Issaquah, Washington.

Kelly Column to Appear June 26

No Washington, D. C., columnist has a larger following in the northwest than John W. Kelly, and the name of this famed correspondent is a guarantee that his column is fair, accurate, and newsy; that it contains information of special interest to this region. Through arrangement with the Northwestern News Service, The Vernonia Eagle will present the popular Kelly column beginning June 26.

No other Washington correspondent possesses the peculiar knack of weaving into his column the unique combination of chatty, breezy information and keen analysis of "what's going on." When a reader follows Kelly he has a feeling of personal intimacy with the nation's capital, the lawmakers, and the hangers-on.

Behind the Scenes

Stuffed-shirts, and statesmen who make your laws; what they do, how they act, their ambitions, foibles, jealousies, rivalries, and feuds are recorded faithfully by this correspondent from the Pacific coast, who takes you behind the scenes and shows what makes the government tick.

Being in daily contact with the Washington and Oregon delegations in congress, Mr. Kelly is in position to report promptly and accurately on all matters affecting the Pacific northwest, and frequently to forecast official action days in advance of the regular press dispatches.

A charm of the Kelly column is its simple, direct style, free from "four-bit words," which has resulted in his Washington comments being required reading in many high schools in Oregon and Washington states.

Tie Vote for Director Is Result of Monday Ballot On School District Issues

Bramblet, Keasey Draw Equal Number of Ballots for Vacant Position on School Board; Schwab Re-Elected as Clerk for Year

A tie vote for the position of director on the school board of District No. 47, Jt., resulted Monday evening at the annual school meeting held at the Washington grade school. A tie in balloting was considered very unusual, it was stated, and is an occurrence that has never happened here before.

The two nominations receiving equal votes were R. A. Bramblet and T. F. Keasey with 35 each. The deadlock will be broken by drawing lots at the next meeting of the board of directors on July 11. The term of office is for three years.

Iver Parkinen Funeral Held

MIST—Funeral services for Iver Parkinen were held at the Mist church Saturday afternoon, June 14th, following his death in an accident near Gresham. The accident occurred when Parkinen, who was driving a log truck, swerved to avoid hitting a train and ran into a ditch. A passenger in the truck was killed and Parkinen was taken to a hospital but was so seriously injured that he passed away shortly afterwards.

Iver Parkinen was born November 28, 1905 at Brush Prairie, Washington, and died at Portland on June 11, 1941 at the age of 35 years, six months and 14 days. He was not married.

The deceased is survived by a brother, Alfred; a sister, Mrs. Lena Lane; a niece, Evelyn Parkinen; and two nephews, Guy and Leland Lane; all of Mist.

Services were conducted by the Bush Funeral Home, and were read by Rev. W. O. Livingstone. Interment took place at the Mist cemetery.

Vacation for Workers Slated

A notice was posted for employees of the Oregon American Lumber corporation on Wednesday announcing that on Friday, June 27, the saw mill, the planer and other units of the mill will be closed until July 7, the Monday following the Fourth of July weekend. Members of maintenance crews will be the only men employed during the shut-down. The week off is in accordance with the recent agreement reached between the C. I. O. and its employers and at the same time will give time for repairs and general rehabilitation of the mill machinery.

Owing to the burning out of a motor which operated the blower which took care of the refuse from the planer, two shifts are working in that department, one half of the crew in the day, the other half at night. This arrangement will continue until another motor can be purchased.

Flower Shop to Change Location

A change of location for Brown's Flower Shop was announced this week by the shop's management to be effective about the first of the coming month. Space has been obtained in the VanAlstine building next to Federici's Shoe Shop and preparations are being made for the change.

The shop is now located in the Vernonia Bakery. The change will afford more space for display, more space for the preparation of orders and added convenience in other ways, it was stated.

Much Rain

A check with the Cooperative Weather Station records maintained by Ed Sessman revealed that .40 of an inch of rain had fallen Wednesday at four o'clock. That figure was the fall for that day only. Judging by the sound of the rain on roofs, it could easily have been mistaken for hail.

Grangers Hear Publisher, Governor at Convention

Leading isolationists of the country, such as Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Charles Lindberg, Senator Gerald Nye and Representative Martin L. Sweeney of Ohio, were criticized severely by Palmer Hoyt, publisher of the Oregonian, Portland, in an address Tuesday before approximately 1000 members of the Grange, meeting in annual convention at Newport.

Unfortunate Situation

"It is unfortunate that these mighty voices are not raised in criticism of the Administration for failure to proceed more rapidly with the settling of strikes and the production of armaments," states Mr. Hoyt. It is tragic that these voices are not raised to urge immediate ceilings on wages, profits and prices; they are not questioning the type of army we are raising today, and that they are not demanding further recessions in government spending aside from defense.

"It is unfortunate, indeed," the speaker continued, "that they see fit to debate nightly whether or not we will engage in World War II. Such debate is the epitome of futility because we are actually at war with the Axis powers and have been for months."

Columbia County Voters

The number of registrants was approaching the 1000 mark Tuesday. The following voting members were present from Columbia County: Neva J. Root, Yankton Grange; La Verne Hansen, Natal Grange; Harry and Emma Condit, Vernonia Grange; Mrs. Melvina Carver, Clatskanie Grange; O. Henry Oleen, Beaver Homes Grange; Frances and R. Hanniff, Warren Grange; Kenzie Keller, Fern Hill Grange; Annie B. Johnson, Winema Grange; Inez Langdon, Chapman Grange; Mrs. M. A. Tennant, South Scappoose Grange; Lesley Howe, Canaan Grange.

Feature of the first day of the meeting was the annual address of State Master Ray W. Gill, who reviewed the effect of the present conflict in Europe upon American agriculture and urged "all-out" aid to Britain in order to insure a victory for the democracies.

Legislative Matters

Speaking at the Tuesday afternoon session, Governor Charles A. Sprague reviewed various legislative matters effecting Oregon agriculture.

Considering some of the 71 resolutions before the convention will start Wednesday morning and will continue through Wednesday evening.

Milwaukie has invited the State Grange to meet in that city in 1942 so that will be the site of the convention next year.

Lillian Hedman Elected at Meet

Lillian Hedman, newly elected Worthy Advisor of the Rainbow Girls in Vernonia, was elected Grand Recorder in the State convention of Oregon Rainbow Girls. Miss Hedman has served as Grand Nature and Grand Representative in the two years previous. She was named Worthy Advisor of the local chapter at the recent election.

Also named at Grand Chapter was Betty Olsen who was appointed Grand Representative from Tennessee.

With Mrs. W. F. MacDonald, Mother Advisor, the following girls attended the session at Corvallis: Lillian Hedman, Betty Olsen, Barbara Nichols, Joy Willard, Evelyn Hearing, Erma Kent, Nancy Brown and Alberta Tipton.

Seven Have Taken Solo Hops

A check with records of the Nehalem Flying Service indicate that seven members of the Vernonia Flyers have made their solo flights from instruction given by Leste. Lackey, instructor. The Vernonia Flyers is a club whose membership is composed of students taking flying lessons.

As mentioned a short time ago, C. J. Badley, club president, was the first to make his solo flight from the Vernonia field. His flight was followed by those of Dr. R. D. Eby, Pat McCauley, Jack Parker, Bob Dial, A. C. Haverlin and Don Morris.

Construction work on the port hangar is almost complete, it was stated by Harold Dow, who has been in charge of the work. All that remain to be done are hanging the doors, some bracing and some grading work.

Large Order Is Delivered Tues.

Delivery of the largest single order of refrigerators ever received in Vernonia was made here Tuesday morning when 18 Fridgidares were left at the Paterson Furniture Store.

The crated machines made an impressive sight when lined up on the sidewalk before the store. Delivery was made by a Nehalem Valley Motor Freight truck.

School Clerk Elected

An election for the position of school clerk was held at the same time. Lee Schwab, clerk for the past year, was again elected to that position for the coming year. No other nomination for the position was made. Schwab received a total of 67 votes.

Also voted on the same evening was the question of accepting the budget for the fiscal year beginning June 16, 1941, and ending June 16, 1942, and the question of increasing the tax levy for the year 1941-42 over the amount limited by law.

The budget was accepted by a vote of 44 "yes" and two "no," and the six per cent limitation by a vote of 36 "yes" and four "no."

Readjustment of Quota Completed

Readjustment of the gross quota of men to be supplied the armed forces by Oregon has been completed by National Headquarters for Selective Service and a new gross quota of 24,719 allotted to the state. Lt. Elmer V. Wooton, state director for Selective Service, announced recently.

Credited against the gross quota are 17,476 Oregon men reported as enlisted or commissioned in the armed forces of the United States, and the 2,288 men who have been inducted into the Army under the Selective Service Act. This will leave a net quota of 4,955 men to be supplied under the Selective Service Act in future months.

No Specified Period

Colonel Wooton emphasized the fact that the 4,955 men to be supplied under the new quota are not to be supplied during any specified period but that they will be supplied as requisitioned by the armed forces.

Further readjustment of the state's gross quota will be made from time to time in accordance with needs of the armed forces, and the state's net quota will be affected not only by such readjustment but also by credits obtained by additional enlistments in the armed forces.

Based on the new quota for the state, new quotas for Oregon's 57 local boards will be announced shortly according to Colonel Wooton.

Cutting of Grass Not Complete, Said

City Marshal A. D. Lolley, in a statement to The Eagle this week, again urged that grass on lots, streets and alleys be cut before an official order to that effect be issued to various property holders.

Lolley said that some grass had been cut but that there was evidently a misunderstanding as to the grass that is growing in alleys and streets. That grass, too, must be cut along with that growing on lots, to forestall an official order on the matter.