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Financial Aid Available If Required

Reminder Is Given Farmers by Field Supervisor of This Territory

Farmers in need of assistance in buying seeds and planting winter grains may obtain loans for those purposes from the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Section of the Farm Credit Administration, it was stated recently by Sidney L. Thompson, Field Supervisor for this territory.

"Farmers whose crops have been damaged or destroyed and who have no other means of getting in their fall crops may obtain assistance from this agency," Thompson stated. "The maximum amount which may be loaned to an individual is \$400. The interest rate is 4 per cent, and the security required is a first mortgage on the crop to be produced. The loan becomes due on August 31, 1942."

Farmers interested in filing an application for the loan should consult Mr. Thompson in his office in the United States Post Office building, St. John's branch at Portland or should communicate with George A. Nelson, County Agent at St. Helens.

President Sets Meeting Date

Dr. U. J. Bittner, chamber of commerce president, announced Tuesday that a meeting of the commercial club would be held on the coming Tuesday, October 21st, at the Terminal cafe at noon. The meeting will serve as the regular October gathering.

Several matters of interest will be brought before the group for discussion and official action at that time.

Club Leaders Meet October 25

Mrs. Edith Thompson, president of the county 4-H Club association, announces that the next meeting of the 4-H Club leaders will be held at Quincy school on Saturday, October 25, at 9:30 a. m. All the leaders and parents are invited to be present to hear the subject of discussion "Nutrition and National Defense."

Students See Circus

Students of the high and grade schools saw the Mason Animal Circus Tuesday morning of this week. The program came here as one of the features of the school assembly programs of which there will be several this year. The program was given in the Washington grade school auditorium.

Examiner Scheduled

An examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to be in Vernonia Thursday, October 23rd at the city hall. Those persons wishing permits or licenses to drive cars are asked to get in touch with the examiner during the visit here. He will be on duty from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Lairds Take Motor Trip

Desmond Laird, accompanied by his sisters, Miss Vivian and Miss Lillian, left Sunday morning for an automobile trip across the continent to New York. At Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, they will spend several days with their brother, George, who will leave with them on Sunday to take the cross-country jaunt. The group plan on the return to drive through the south where they will visit in their former home, Sumrall, Mississippi.

Thousands of Taxpayers to Be Affected by New Act

J. W. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue, called attention last week to the fact that the Revenue Act of 1941 imposed a number of new taxes, which became effective October 1, that will affect thousands of taxpayers who were not heretofore liable for taxes.

Mr. Maloney stated that the tax of 10 per cent, imposed on retail sales of jewelry, toilet preparations, and furs, became effective October 1, and that these taxes would affect many dealers who were ordinarily not classed as jewelers, druggists, or fur dealers. The tax on jewelry applies not only to the retail sale of articles which are commonly termed jewelry but also to the sale of any article made of, ornamented, mounted, or fitted with precious metals or imitations, and also watches and clocks, including electric clocks. All retail sales of articles coming under these classes, both new and used goods, would be subject to tax at the rate of 10 per cent of the retail price. This would mean that many hardware stores and drug stores, as well as many furniture stores, general stores, and specialty and gift shops would be subject to the tax of 10 per cent on their retail sales of jewelry, clocks, watches, or other articles made of, or ornamented, mounted, or fitted with precious metals or imitations thereof.

Cosmetics Are Taxed

The merchandise taxed under the retail sales tax on toilet preparations includes a long list of articles commonly known as cosmetics, etc. Many places selling toiletries, such as general stores, groceries, etc., would be subject to this tax. This law also has a provision which states that all sales to beauty parlors and barber shops, by a wholesale or retail dealer, are considered as retail sales and subject to tax, and also that any resale of the article, that is made by the operator of a beauty parlor or barber shop, is also subject to the 10 per cent retail tax. However, the operator can deduct from his tax a credit of the tax he may have paid when he bought the toilet preparations.

The tax on furs applies not only to articles made of fur, but also to articles of which fur is the component material of chief value. This would mean that persons who sell fur trimmed coats, for example, would be subject to tax on the retail sales price of the coat, if the fur trimming was worth more than any other single component material which was used to make up the coat.

Taxes Payable Monthly

All of these taxes are paid on a monthly basis, and the tax for the month of October should be sent to the Collector's office at Portland, during November. Collector Maloney urged that all persons liable for payment of these retail taxes write immediately to his office for blanks on which to return the tax.

He also called attention to the fact that all persons operating coin-operated amusement devices or gaming devices would be subject to a tax of \$10.00 a year on the amusement devices, and \$50.00 a year on the gaming devices. These taxes must be paid to the Collector during October, and all persons who are operating pin-ball machines or gaming devices should make application immediately for a blank on which to return the tax. Penalties will be incurred if the tax returns for the amusement and gaming devices are not received in October.

Inventory Required

The tax on tires and inner tubes was increased by the Revenue Act of 1941, effective October 1, and all persons having these articles for sale, October 1 were required to take an inventory of the same and pay a floor stocks tax on them. Forms have been distributed to a large number of dealers in the state, but all persons who are liable for the tax who have not received the forms should write for them immediately as the tax must be paid to the Collector in October.

Marriage Announced

Miss June Newman and Robert Dial were married in Kelso, Washington, Saturday, October 11, with Reverend Laurie of the Presbyterian church performing the ceremony.

Mrs. William Pringle Buried Here Sun.

Funeral services were held here Sunday at the Bush Funeral Home for Mrs. William Pringle who passed away Friday at the Astoria hospital as the result of a paralytic stroke suffered Tuesday of last week.

Mary Margaret Pringle was born December 6, 1873, in Dublin, Ireland, and passed away October 10, 1941, at the age of 67 years, 10 months and four days. Left to mourn her passing are her husband, William Pringle; two sons, William, Jr., and Donald of Vernonia; three daughters, Mable Mellinger of Portland, Margaret Parker of Astoria, and Bertha Smith of Deer Island.

Mrs. Pringle was born Miss Mary Margaret Somerville and was the daughter of William and Margaret Somerville. The family came to the United States in 1875 and located at Lockport, Illinois where the father followed the trade of machinist until 1882, when he went to Portland. After about two years in Portland the family came to the Nehalem valley where Mr. Somerville took a claim of timber land two miles north of Vernonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Pringle were married March 19, 1891 at St. Helens and had made their home near Vernonia ever since. They recently observed their golden wedding anniversary.

Services were held at 2 o'clock and burial took place at Vernonia.

Teachers to Attend Regional Institute

Vernonia teachers will attend the five-county regional teachers conference which is to be held at Hillsboro on Monday, October 27th, was the announcement made this week. More than 1000 teachers from Columbia, Clatsop, Yamhill, Tillamook and Washington counties are expected to be present for the all-day meeting.

Wallace McCrae, high school principal, will head a sectional meeting on health. Four main speakers are scheduled for addresses at general assemblies. On the program are Rex Putnam, state superintendent who will talk on "Looking Forward in Education in Oregon;" and Philip H. Parrish, editor of the Oregonian editorial page, who will speak on "Conditioning Youth for a Sterner World."

Main speaker in the afternoon assembly will be Dr. W. C. Giersbach, president of Pacific university, speaking on "America Faces the Future."

Counts Victim Of Gun Shot

Word was received here Tuesday that Johnnie Counts was accidentally shot in the left thigh while on a hunting trip 21 miles below Roseburg Sunday. Counts reportedly was shot when a fence collapsed under his weight as he jumped the top rail to catch a glimpse of a deer. His pistol accidentally discharged and the .22 calibre shot lodged in his leg.

The injured man is in the Mercy Hospital in Roseburg, and according to reports given here, the seriousness of the accident has not yet been determined.

Melvin Baker of Vernonia and A. D. Hall who formerly lived on the Mist route were in the hunting party.

Taxpayers Urged to Attend Meeting

Budget Meeting Date Is Set for Monday, October 27 at City Hall

Taxpayers and residents of the Nehalem valley are reminded again this week of the date of the budget hearing for the Nehalem Basin Peoples' Utility District to be held Monday, October 27th at the Vernonia city hall.

The meeting is being held for the purpose of considering and hearing objections and recommendations on the proposed budget for the district for the first six months of the year 1942. An invitation is extended those interested to be present at that time so that the matter may be given careful consideration and may be fully explained to taxpayers.

The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock.

Funeral Held Here Monday

Funeral services were held here Monday afternoon at the Bush Funeral Home for Eugene B. Good of Birkenfeld. The death occurred Saturday. He was born at Waterloo, Iowa, on November 24th, 1880 and passed away October 11th, 1941, at the age of 60 years, 11 months and 13 days.

The deceased was married and is survived by his widow, Bertha Good of Birkenfeld; one stepson, L. S. McNeill of Birkenfeld; one stepdaughter, Mable Glenn of Portland; and one sister, Willa Flynn of Pacific City, California. He moved to Birkenfeld from Vancouver, Washington, in July, 1940. The music and services here were conducted by the Christian Scientist church of Forest Grove. Interment was completed by cremation in Portland Monday.

Health Association To Show Films

Several reels of talking pictures outlining the causes and cure of tuberculosis will be shown at the Vernonia high school Friday at 1 p. m. under auspices of the Columbia County Health association. The pictures have been shown to a number of schools and club groups in the county.

No admission charge for the showing will be made and the public is welcome to attend.

Winners to Date In Contest Given

Ken White, Paterson Furniture store manager, announced the names of the two hunters who, to date, hold winning places in the Marshall-Wells Big Buck Contest. In addition to prizes offered in that contest the Paterson store is offering a first prize of a hunting ax and knife.

So far Jim Marshall has the largest blacktail buck deer which weighed 195 pounds. Harry Eckland has the largest mule deer entry of 217 pounds.

Banquet Plans Start

The annual Father and Son banquet sponsored by the Worthy Missionary society of the Evangelical church will be held this year early in November, it was learned this week. The affair will be given in the social hall of the church as in previous years. The principal speaker of the evening is not known yet.

Go Hunting

Marshal A. Lolley and Constable Todd Bowerman hunted Wednesday in the areas about Vernonia.

False Clue Starts Chase

A false clue resulted in a fruitless chase for Frank Hartwick last Wednesday night a short time after the accident which damaged two cars and the Stubbs Service Station at the foot of the O-A hill. He appeared on the scene a moment or so after the accident. The driver of the car doing the damage was standing nearby and, seeking to avoid detection, remarked, "let's catch the fellow who did this" or words to the effect. "You," speaking to Hartwick, "go such and such a way and I'll go another and we'll catch him." Not until some time later was it determined that the man giving the directions was actually the guilty party.

Deaths Decrease in First Eight Months

A 35 per cent decrease was shown in pedestrian fatalities for the first eight months of this year compared to the same period last year, according to figures released at the office of the secretary of state recently.

The pedestrian toll for the first three quarters of this year amounted to 51 lives lost while for the same period a year ago, pedestrian accidents claimed a toll of 79 lives.

Pedestrian fatalities constituted 22 per cent of the total traffic toll for the first eight months of this year, while for the same period last year, pedestrian fatalities amounted to 36 per cent of the total traffic toll.

Night Time Dangerous

Most pedestrian fatalities occur at night and most of them involve elderly persons, the summary shows. Persons on foot are urged to cross streets only at crosswalks or intersections, wear or carry something white at night or display a lighted flashlight, and avoid walking into the path of approaching vehicles. Pedestrians often misjudge the speed of these vehicles and step out into the street, thinking they have time to get across before the car gets near enough to constitute a hazard, it was said. Safety authorities advise waiting on the curb till the approaching car has passed.

Vernonia Bakery To Open Soon

The Vernonia Bakery will open its doors within a short time it was learned this week and will be operated by a Scappoose man. Preparatory to the opening, the interior is receiving some attention which includes painting of the show room at the front and remodeling at the back. The remodeling will also afford more storage space for Sam and Bob's Grocery and Market. The exterior of the building will also be painted, it is said.

Although the exact date of opening is not known here, it will probably be within a short time.

Logging Company Move Started

A beginning has been made on the work of moving the United Loggers camp from its present location near Natal to Pebble creek it was learned this week. The logging concern owned by Archie Adams will be located in the vicinity of the Lode McDonald farm and will work from that headquarters in cutting much of the remaining timber stand owned by Clark and Wilson.

The move will take some time it was stated. The residences which have been located at Natal will be moved on trucks and trailers.

Convention to Be Held Here November 8

High School Girls Group to Act as Host for District Gathering

The Girls League of Vernonia high school will act as host at the annual district league convention which, this year, is to be held at Vernonia, an announcement this week stated. The district is composed of Columbia and Clatsop counties and invitations have been sent to all other high schools in the district. The convention is dated for Saturday, November 8.

Committees have been appointed to devise the all-day program. Appropriate speakers will be here, it is said, but as yet their names are not available.

\$100 Fine Is Assessed Fri.

A fine of \$100 was given Marshall Stewart last Friday morning when he was tried in the Justice of Peace court here following an accident which occurred Wednesday evening.

The accident happened at the Stubbs Garage while Stewart was driving towards Vernonia from Riverview. The automobile he was driving failed to complete the turn at that point, struck the garage and two cars parked nearby. A support for part of the garage roof was broken thereby allowing the roof to fall and damage one of the gas pumps. The two parked cars which were damaged belonged to Todd Bowerman and Robert Fawcett.

Stewart is serving out his fine in the Columbia county jail at St. Helens.

Country Club Winners Named

County winners of the 4-H Club members at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition which ended Saturday are announced as follows: Lester Langdon, Scappoose, 1st in Longwool Showmanship, 3rd in Romney Ewe Lamb, 4th in Romney Ewe Lamb, 4th in Shropshire Ewe Lamb and 7th in Weather Lamb.

Patricia Moran, Vernonia, 2nd in Shorthorn Heifers.

In Open Class Stock: C. W. Sherman, Scappoose, 3rd in 2 year old Jersey Bulls and 4th in Aged Jersey Bulls; M. M. Kelley, Scappoose, 7th in Milking Shorthorn Bulls.

Parole Given for Larceny Charge

A trial held Tuesday in the Justice of Peace court here brought a six-months parole for William Sinquelfield who was charged with larceny in a complaint sworn out by George Johnson.

The complaint was drawn Monday after definite evidence was obtained that Sinquelfield had taken money from the till at the Vernonia Service Station. Money had been missing from the till at intervals for some time.

The sentence of the accused man requires that he pay back the funds that had been taken.

Extension Unit Meets

The Vernonia Extension Unit will meet Friday, October 17, at 10 in the morning at the high school home economics room. The topic for study for the meeting is "Food to Keep You Fit." Members and visitors who are invited to attend will bring their own paper sack lunches, it was announced.