

Scappoose Defeat By Lions Leaves Loggers On Top

District No. 14 Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Vernonia	2	1	.666
St. Helens	3	2	.600
Scappoose	2	2	.500
Rainier	1	3	.250

The Vernonia Loggers, although idle in district play the past week, are back on top of District No. 14 standings thanks to the St. Helens Lions' surprise victory over the Scappoose Indians. The St. Helens victory establishes the defending titleists as strong contenders for this year's flag. Their game against the Loggers on the local floor Friday, February 23 looms as a crucial battle.

The local boys showed marked improvement this week as they swept to two victories. Wednesday night's game against the Clatskanie Seabee base resulted in a thrilling overtime victory for the Loggers over a big veteran team of college boys. Completely over the shooting slump that followed them in St. Helens and Clatskanie, the local boys played the floor well and were deadly in their shooting to match the older boys basket for basket. At the end of the regular playing time the score was tied at 33 to 33. A three-minute overtime left the issue still unsettled at 35 to 35. In "sudden death" Ralph Sturdevant flipped in a rebound to send a capacity crowd home happy. Final score Vernonia 37, Seabees 35.

Continuing their deadly shooting the Loggers swamped an out-classed Willamina high school team 48 to 29 Saturday night. The Willamette Valley boys were never in the game as Coach Robbins cleared his bench with frequent substitutions.

Tomorrow night the local squad resumes its quest of District No. 14 honors when they entertain the Rainier Columbians on the local court. The Columbia five boys are intent on revenge for their early season loss to the Loggers. Rainier's victory over Clatskanie foreshadows a bitter battle. The Loggers face an ambitious schedule with three consecutive crucial District 14 games in succession: Friday's game with Rainier here, the trip to Scappoose on Tuesday and the visit of the St. Helens Lions on February 23.

Vernonia 37	Seabees 35
Sturdevant 12	F Regan 13
Parker 6	F Holden 10
Byers 10	C Walsh 2
Nance 3	G English 2
Larsen 2	G Achen 2
Riley 3	S Pryer 6

Officials: Gordon, Hawkins
Vernonia 48
Parker 8
Byers 6
Sturdevant 10
Nance 16
Larsen 6
Rollins 6
Riley 2

Special Service Planned Friday

The Evangelical and Christian churches will participate in the world's "Day of Prayer" Friday starting at 10 a. m. As the program has been arranged, a chairman for each hour has been named and each hour will begin with a devotional reading. Every hour will be observed from 10 o'clock to 3 p. m. at the Evangelical church.

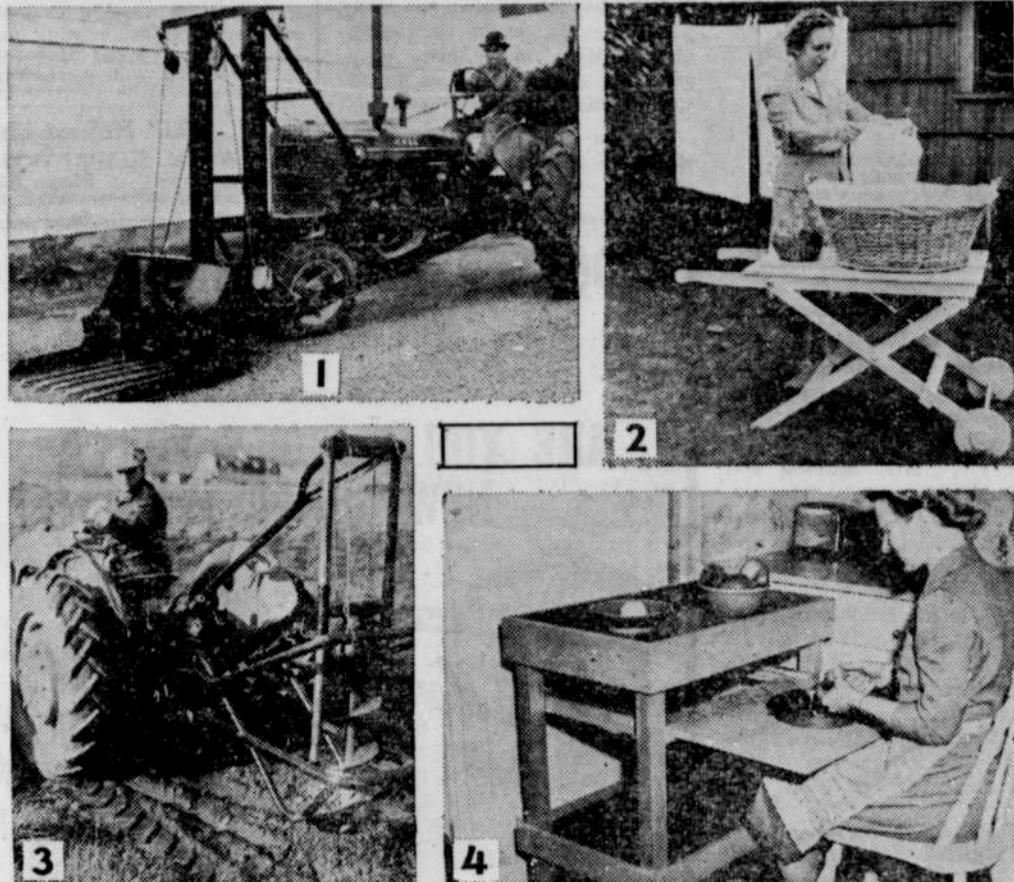
In the evening, services have been planned at the Christian church beginning at 7:30 p. m. to be conducted by the Women's Missionary societies of both churches, and will be followed by a social hour with refreshments.

The spirit of the service will carry out what the Lord said in his prayer: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

New Teacher Sought

Mrs. Margaret Dement, high school instructor, is planning to depart soon on a leave of absence which will be effective during the time her husband is in this country after serving in the South Pacific for over three years. A teacher to take her place is being sought by the district.

Labor-Saving Exhibit to be Shown in County



Farmers and homemakers of Columbia County will have an opportunity to see the four pieces of labor saving equipment shown above—and many more—at the farm and home labor saving equipment demonstration at the Columbia County Fair Grounds at Deer Island on Friday, February 16, from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Illustrated are (1) manure loader, (2) laundry cart, (3) post hole digger, and (4) kitchen utility table including lap board. County Agent George A. Nelson has also rounded up some labor saving devices used effectively by local people for display at the all-day "open-house." Practically all of the equipment can be home-made. The home-maker's exhibits will be of interest to urban as well as rural housewives. The state farm labor office in the O.S.C. extension service is sponsoring the demonstration.

Russian Relief Reminder Given

A reminder is sounded this week concerning the present drive for clothing for Russian Relief. The time for the drive is short, being planned to extend only through Saturday, the 17th, of this week so that people who have clothing that will be suitable are urged to turn it in immediately.

Two places have been designated where the clothing may be deposited: the West Oregon Electric office and Frank's Pastime, both conveniently located on Bridge street.

All kinds of clothing for all ages is needed, including bedding and blankets, and should be in good condition as needles and thread for mending are scarce in Russia. Tie clothing securely in bundles with a stout cord.

Dance Aids Red Cross Fund Here

The coming Red Cross drive for funds received a lift Saturday, February 3rd when the Vernonia Service club acted as sponsor for the event at the Legion hall. The dance netted \$32.02. The Red Cross has also received a \$5.00 donation from the Knights of Pythias lodge which further adds to the fund.

A Red Cross activity that is being furthered every Friday is the sewing of kit bags. The work is being performed by ladies who gather at the high school economics room from 1 to 4 p. m. and anyone who wishes to aid in this program will be welcomed. Mrs. H. M. Culbertson chairman, states. It is thought that baby layettes will be made after the sewing of kit bags is completed.

Case Appealed

The trial, held here Wednesday, of the case of Bob Summers vs. the City of Vernonia, has been appealed to the circuit court after the defendant was found guilty on a complaint of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Glen Metscher, St. Helens, was attorney for the defendant and R. M. Burley represented the City.

County News

PUD PRINTS ANNUAL REPORT
CLATSKANIE—Clatskanie Peoples' Utility District had a gross revenue of \$65,536.76, expenses of \$47,227.70 and a net profit of \$18,309.06, according to the annual statement submitted this week by A. L. Bailey, manager.

Out of this \$18,309.06 net profit the District set aside \$3,699.96 for retirement of bonds as specified in the bond ordinance and in round figures, disposed of the balance as follows: Purchased new voltage regulator at a cost of \$4,200 to take care of the increased load on the district's lines, expended \$7,400 on new line construction and invested the remainder of \$3,000 in government bonds.

Included in expenses are \$3,810.97 for taxes, \$4,812.50 for interest on revenue bonds and \$6,542.28 for depreciation expense to cover the cost of pole replacements, worn out equipment, etc.

COLUMBIA RAISES THREE FEET IN ONE WEEK

ST. HELENS—Warmer weather in the upper reaches of the Columbia River as far north as British Columbia where the great river has its source, and the torrential rains in the district as far as eastern Oregon, have caused a rapid raise in the Columbia river in the St. Helens area. The gauge at the city dock as of Wednesday shows 10 feet above zero, a rise of almost three feet within the last week. River readings as furnished by the weather bureau at Portland indicate a further raise but no flood conditions are expected.

WATER COMMISSION ASKS LOAN FROM CITY COUNCIL

RAINIER—The water commission represented by F. D. Jones, has asked the city council to transfer from the bond sinking fund to the general fund of the commission \$46,000. This sum is needed to finance the recent attempt made to secure a productive well for the local water system.

The commission sunk a well 900 feet but obtained only a five gallon per minute flow; now the well has been abandoned. Cost was approximately \$10,000.

Kirtland to Get Transfer

Shirley Kirtland, government trapper, will be transferred to Yamhill county to begin work there the first of April, he announced this week. Reason for the move is that he has been assigned to trap foxes in that area, that animal having increased to such an extent that farmers are losing much of the poultry stocks.

Mr. Kirtland began trapping here several years ago spending five years here then moving to Klamath Falls. He returned here again about a year ago. During the past year he attained the rating of third best for the number of animals trapped west of the Cascades. The results of the past year's work were: 122 coyotes, 14 bobcats and 5 bears. The trapper now having the Yamhill county territory will move to Birkenfeld to take over the Clatsop-Columbia area now covered by Mr. Kirtland.

Interview Travel Gas Is Available

Special gasoline rations limited to 400 miles in any 30-day period to help discharged war veterans and displaced civilian workers, who must use automobiles for travel to job interviews, were provided for this week by the OPA, E. W. Eggen, mileage rationing representative has announced. All persons applying for these special allotments must be sure to accompany their application with their mileage rationing record, Eggen emphasized, before the local board can take action.

The special rations will be allowed to war veterans and to civilian employees who must use a passenger car to travel to a job interview arranged for them by the U. S. Employment Service, the Railroad Retirement Board Employment Service, a county agricultural agent and agricultural extension labor office, or by a union designated by the War Manpower Commission to recruit labor.

A person applying for a ration must present a referral card showing the name of the prospective employer and the place of the interview, Eggen said.

Commission Sets New Angling Rules Jan. 27

The Oregon State Game Commission, at a hearing held January 13 in Portland, gave tentative consideration to the 1945 angling regulations. The final order of adoption was made when the hearing reconvened on January 27.

The major change made was in the opening date of the general season for trout over six inches. Open season, in all counties except Lake, April 14 to October 31, inclusive.

The bag limit for trout over six inches in length is the same as last year, 15 fish but not more than 15 pounds and 1 fish in any one day, or 30 fish but not more than 30 pounds and 2 fish in possession or in any seven consecutive days.

For game fish not less than ten inches in length, open season, entire year in the following waters: Bays, inlets and tidewater of Pacific Ocean; above tide-water in all streams west of Highway 99 draining into Pacific Ocean, exclusive of the Willamette River system and those streams for which specific seasons or regulations have been provided or which have been closed to angling entirely; to wit: Munsel, Tahkenitch, Siltecos, Ten Mile, Mercer, Sutton, Devils, Floras and Garrison lakes; Clackamas River from its mouth to a point one mile below River Mill dam, exclusive of its tributaries; Bull Run River from its mouth to a point 300 feet below the power house, exclusive of its tributaries; and certain portions of Fifteen Mile creek, Sana, River, S. Umpqua River and N. Umpqua.

No changes were made in the regulations affecting jack salmon, striped bass, shad, sturgeon or spiny-ray fish, except that bass fishing will be allowed the year around in Munsel, Sutton, Mercer, Loon, Woods, Siltecos, Tahkenitch and Devils lakes and Hiatt Reservoir and certain portions of the Columbia River.

Bag limit for these fish, 30 fish or 20 pounds and 1 fish but not to exceed 30 fish of all species combined in possession at any one time.

Specific regulations for counties in the immediate vicinity of Vernonia follow. Regulations for all counties in the state are con-

Thanks Expressed For Help Given

Mrs. R. D. Eby, while mentioning the disposal of items not claimed at the close of the Victory Exchange after the 6th war loan drive, expressed her sincere appreciation to the sales ladies of the various organizations who conducted the exchange. The clothing items which remained were turned in to Russian Relief and have already been taken to Portland.

The exchange proved so successful during the 6th war loan that it is probable that another will be arranged at the time of the next drive. Almost a thousand dollars worth of merchandise changed owners during the time the exchange was open.

Child Drowns

Funeral services were held here Saturday at the Catholic church for Donald Carl Schmidlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schmidlin, who died from drowning at Corvallis. He passed away at the age of two years and interment was at the Buxton cemetery. The services were in charge of the Bush Funeral home.

Injury Causes Death

Eric Axel Sundin, employed by Doyle and Rogers, gyppo loggers at Camp McGregor, was killed instantly yesterday when struck by a falling tree. He was taken to Portland by the Bush ambulance to the Little Chapel of the Chimes where services will be held.

tained on a list that may be examined at the Eagle office.

Clatsop county: Special seasons; that part of the Necanicum river and its tributaries above the second coast highway bridge south of Seaside, open season for trout, steelhead and salmon, June 1 to October 31, inclusive. During remainder of year, said portion of this stream is closed (Continued on page 6)

THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

FATHER VISITED

RIVERVIEW—Pfc. Elizabeth Irvine, USN, came this week from Ferris Island, S. C., for a visit with her father, Albert Schalock. Her stay here was somewhat shortened as enroute she was held up by a train wreck. She left Friday noon for San Diego, Cal. from which point she is shipping out for a two-year period of service overseas. Mrs. Irvine had been stationed in S. C. for more than a year.

WOUNDED IN FRANCE

Mrs. Marguerite Burton received word Tuesday by telegram that her husband, Sgt. Ed Burton, was wounded January 25 while in action in France. No details of the cause or extent of his injury were mentioned in the message.

JOINS MARINES

Frederick A. Roediger of Vernonia, has joined the marine corps and will take his recruit training at the marine base, San Diego, Cal.

Prior to his joining the marines, Private Roediger was employed by the O-A mill.

TRANSFERRED

Ira Baucom, merchant mariner, is now transferred to another tanker, the Chisholm Trail and has just completed a shore run from Portland to San Pedro and return. He is now outward bound, very likely for the South Pacific, and will probably be gone for several months.

TAKES TRAINING

Lt. Dave Howard is stationed at Pratt, Kansas now, where he has been taking training on B-28 bombers and where he also has been instructing for the past nine months. He says the country is cold, flat and has no trees.

HIT BY SNIPER

Pvt. L. Collier, Hq. Btry of the U. S. Army, spent Sunday with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ingermanson. Larry was in the Dutch East Indies when wounded last August and was sent home the 1st of January. He has served three years overseas. A Jap sniper hit him in the elbow, Larry made it plain that that Jap won't molest anyone else.

BACK IN STATES

In a letter to his folks from the station hospital at Dow Field, Bangor, Maine, Private Delbert E. Lander informs them that his injury in Belgium cost him the loss of his left leg. He can't see anything over there worth fighting over, it's a h--- of a country and most of his company were hospitalized with frozen feet, it was that cold. They had to sleep in snow 16 inches deep. He says he thinks he will be able to hobble about in 3 or 4 months and sure wants to be home in time for hunting season. He had two German guns for souvenirs but the medics took them away from him like they belonged to them. He says he would have liked mighty well to have kept them. He also hopes the war doesn't last much longer.

TO REPORT SOON

Ralph Sturdevant has received his order to report for army duty Wednesday, February 28th. He will go to Fort Lewis. More "Those Who," page 6