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## New Church Opens Doors Wednesday

### Nazarene Church to Hold Gospel Meetings Through This Month

A new church for Vernonia opened its doors Wednesday evening, March 6th, when evangelistic services were started by Evangelist Coryell of Meridian, Idaho to continue for the rest of the month of March.

Preparation for the opening in the McGee building at the corner of Bridge and Second streets has been underway for some time with G. H. Hartzell doing much of the work and assisting in many of the necessary arrangements.

The young people of the Portland Central church are backing this church and have rented the building. They also purchased the house at Bridge and First avenue for use as a parsonage. A resident minister will be assigned here soon, it was stated.

## COUNTY NEWS

### APPRENTICE TRAINING IS ACCEPTED

ST. HELENS—The chance to learn a trade with Uncle Sam paying a good part of the overhead is attracting plenty of takers in Columbia county among returning GIs, Robert Bickford, trade and industry coordinator, who is handling field work on this program in the county, said last week. So far, Bickford has 16 ex-servicemen signed up and at work in St. Helens and he has handled more than 100 applications. This job-training program being financed by the government for discharged servicemen and women pays them up to -75 per month if they are single and up to -90 monthly if they're married. This, combined with what their employer gives in the way of salary, is supposed to bring them to a journeyman's scale or nearly so.

### PIRATES WIN FIRST ROUND

CLATSKANIE—The Westport pirates defeated the Clatskanie Tigers 41 to 36 an exciting fast-moving game Feb. 26 at Astoria, for the title of Clatsop-Columbia county "B" championship.

### CLATSKANIE PUD IS MAKING MONEY

CLATSKANIE—The Clatskanie PUD showed a profit for the year of 1945. After bond redemption fund payments had been made a net income amounting to -20,566.69 was realized.

In 1945 \$76,521.72 was the operating revenue and of that amount \$17,282.89 was expended for purchasing power, which proved one of the largest items.

### TACOMA MEN BUY VANVLEET SAWMILL

RAINIER—Sale of the VanVleet Lumber company plant in Rainier to Donald and Lee Doud of Tacoma was consummated recently. R. B. VanVleet is retiring from the field and is said to have no immediate plans to announce.

## Teachers Rehired For Coming Year

The board of union high school district No. 1 met Saturday night to offer contracts to the present members of the teaching staff of the high school for the coming 1946-47 school year. Of the present staff, two have signified that they will not return next year, Ray Mills, principal, said Mon.

Those teachers intending to return are: J. Hergert, Harold McEntire, Leonard Baker, Doris Lacy, Dorothy Voeg, T. P. Haberly and Principal Mills.

## THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

### DISCHARGED

LaVon George has received his discharge from the coast guard and was here to visit friends and relatives for a short time last week end. He spent 44 months in the service, the last seven in Alaska. Six of the seven months in Alaska were on isolated duty. He was released at Seattle February 21st.

### WITH CAVALRY DIVISION

Sgt. Wayne Crume, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey H. Crume, is now serving with the 12th Cavalry regiment as motor sergeant. He is in the Tokyo occupation forces, and has been overseas since July 27, 1945. He entered the army July 12, 1944.

### RECEIVE DISCHARGES

Harold L. Calhoun, fireman 1c, and George F. Schmidlin, MMic, received their discharges from the Bremerton separation center February 28.

### CAPT. MEEKER HERE

Capt. and Mrs. Everett Meeker were overnight guests of the Holly Hulcombs Friday. On leave from his station in North Carolina, Meeker will report there shortly for reassignment.

### LINDSLEY HERE

RIVERVIEW—Pfc. Lee Lindsley, USM, is here on a 60-day furlough from Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif. Lee has reenlisted for two years and expects to be sent to a new base at the end of his furlough.

### RETURNS FOR ORDERS

Pvt. Dean Brady, who had been spending his furlough from Ft. Lewis here, his former home, and in Portland, reported Tuesday for embarkation orders.

## Bullein Explains Army Parcel Size

The war department advises that effective March 1, 1946 parcels not exceeding 22 pounds in weight or 48 inches in length or 72 inches in length and girth combined, containing articles requested by the addressee, may be accepted for mailing to army personnel overseas.

Information about the regulations was received here a few days ago by postmaster Emil Messing.

Personal recordings, voice or instrumental, may now be accepted for mailing to army personnel overseas, provided they are suitably prepared for transmission through the mails and meet the requirements as to weight, size and request of the addressee. However, such recordings in parcels not exceeding eight ounces in weight may be accepted for mailing at the first-class rate of postage without the specific request of the addressee.

## Teachers Draw Baseball Sked

Men school teachers from Columbia county schools and a delegation from Seaside met here Monday evening at the Masonic Temple to draw up a tentative baseball schedule of play for the coming season. The men also discussed several other topics Monday, among them being teacher retirement and attendance at an Oregon State Teachers' association event scheduled March 28, 29 and 30.

The Nehalem social club served the dinner previous to the meeting which was attended by about 25 instructors from other parts of the county.

### Sewing to Start

Red Cross sewing will start again Wednesday, March 13, Mrs. C. L. Anderson announces this week. The work will be done at the high school and will start at 1 o'clock.

## Veteran Bill Topic of Talks Friday Night

### Vets Invited to Hear Details of Bill of Rights

Veterans are extended a special invitation by the Vernonia Booster club to hear details of the GI bill of rights explained Friday night at the Legion hall. The meeting is also open to others, both men and women, who are interested in learning about the law and they are urged by the club to attend.

Three speakers will be here that evening from the Commercial National Bank of Hillsboro to present the information. William C. Christensen, president of the bank, will head the three speakers to tell about the general housing crisis. With him will be J. L. Seacey, vice-president, to develop the educational and apprenticeship situation, and M. Lynn Judy, assistant cashier to talk on the mortgage loan section.

The Booster club's next speaker will discuss a topic of interest to farm owners in the valley, that of fruit and produce raising. Information of the time, place and name of the speaker, will be announced next week.

This bank has established a special department devoted to GI problems and has seven specialists who are thoroughly familiar with the law to give assistance to those wishing it.

The meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. at the Legion hall and refreshments will be served after the talks. This program is the first of several planned by the Booster club to present speakers to people of the Upper Nehalem Valley.

## Health Group to Meet March 11

Paul Gordon, president of the Columbia County Public Health association announces a meeting of that group for Monday evening, March 11, at the Seapooze high school. Invitations to attend are being sent to a number of local people for what is anticipated will be an interesting meeting.

Scheduled for that evening are speakers from the state board of health who will present trends in social hygiene and venereal disease control. A dinner and business meeting are also on the schedule.

### Extension Meet Set

The Vernonia Extension unit meets March 7 at 10:30 a.m. in the high school home economics room. The project is "Seasonal Cleaning." All interested are invited to attend.

## Employers Can Help in Placing Disabled Vets

Oregon employers can go a long way toward placing the disabled veteran in employment if they are made cognizant of the fact that in many cases they have jobs in their own plants which handicapped veterans can handle.

This observation was made by Hugh E. Rosson, director of the department of veterans' affairs, discussions with counsellors of the veterans' administration and the U. S. employment service.

An example cited by Rosson was that of Harvey Shafer, Salem, one hundred percent disabled through the loss of his right arm, who obtained a job in February as bailiff for the Oregon supreme court. Shafer is enthusiastic about his work and

## PEASLEY PLANS LOCKER PLANT

The construction of a building and cold storage locker plant at the Sunnyside Service station near Treharne is planned within a short time according to Roy Peasley who has purchased the property. At present he is continuing the feed store and station business in the buildings in which they were located when he bought them a short time ago.

The building will be constructed on the site of the present feed store, Mr. Peasley said, and will house the lockers which will be of fireproof construction. The lockers will be of three sizes, 8-foot, 12-foot, and 15-foot and applications are being accepted now from prospective users, he said.

The building will be constructed of cement blocks and will also be fireproof. Mr. Peasley has announced new hours for the business, now being open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## Street Lighting Talked Monday

Preliminary plans and suggestions about the installation of new street lighting for Vernonia's Bridge street business section occupied a considerable part of Monday evening's city council meeting. Appearing before the council that night was Frank D. Seelye, West Oregon Coop manager, who presented suggestions to the council about the lights.

Mr. Seelye's suggestion, in order to obtain definite information about lighting fixtures and the best means of installation, was to obtain the services of several illumination firms to get the needed data. He stressed to the council the need for considering the problem now in order to have a definite blueprint of the project when it is time to do the work.

Councilmen also authorized the purchase of an Ingersoll-Rand air compressor and equipment necessary for pavement breaking. This equipment will be used when the laying of new water mains begins, to replace present mains which have been in use over 20 years and which are giving considerable trouble due to breaks. This project is being discussed for the coming summer.

## Fowlers Start Radio Repairing

Hal and Ben Fowler are starting a radio repair service, the brothers announce this week, and are ready to begin work. They have obtained the equipment necessary for radio repair and have installed it at 841 Rose avenue, the home of the former.

In addition to the actual repairing, they have announced a pickup and delivery service which can be obtained by calling 454.

## TREE SEEDING TO START FRI.

The first forest planting in Columbia county lands is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week end Glen Hawkins said Tuesday when he mentioned that arrangements for the work had been made. The planting will take place on land owned by the Columbia County Tree Farm of the Crown Zellerbach corporation for which Mr. Hawkins is the local representative. This first planting marks another step in the direction of building the farm to the basis of sustained yield of forest products.

High school boys will do the work, Mr. Hawkins said, and the first tree will be planted by the Boy Scouts Friday in section 25 at the head of Coal creek where a breaking plow was used late last year. The trees now on hand total 35,000 of which 25,000 are Douglas fir and the rest are Noble fir, Port Orford cedar and hemlock.

Mr. Hawkins will be in charge of the work which will require several week ends before completion.

Breaking of the land last November was done by a tractor and 22-inch breaking plow preparatory to this planting. Pictures were played on a level con-

## Budget Law Sets Term

A new state law becoming effective this spring requires that taxpayer members of the local committees to fix budgets will be appointed to serve on a "staggered term" plan. Directors or the governing body of any tax-levying municipal corporation must designate one-third of the appointed members to serve one year, one-third for two years and the remaining third for three years.

The purpose of the plan for local budget committees is to make certain that a part of the group shall have had previous experience in determining how much tax money should be spent for cost of local government.

## New Sugar Stamp Valid March 11

Spare stamp 9 will become good Monday, March 11, for five pounds of home canning sugar and will be valid through October 31, 1946, the OPA announced Tuesday.

Most consumers will find spare stamp 9 in their war ration book 4. Others, who received their ration books only recently, including many returned servicemen, will find the stamps in the single sheet sugar ration book issued to them in lieu of war ration book 4.

Spare stamp 9, the first of two stamps to be made good for buying home canning sugar, is made valid now to provide sugar in the southern areas where fruits are available early in the year. Since it will be good through October 31, housewives in other parts of the country can plan their use of sugar to coincide with the arrival of fruits in good quantity. It is expected that a second stamp can be validated in late June or early July.

### Solicitors Start

Red Cross solicitors started work Monday of this week, Mrs. Harry Culbertson, local chairman, said Wednesday. The Vernonia district has been allocated the amount of \$2844. Mist - Natal \$290, and Birkenfeld \$114 to raise in this drive, she said.

## PUD LINE BREAK STOPS SERVICE

The loss of power Tuesday evening on the Clatskanie PUD line section was the cause of interrupted service on the Vernonia feeder. This interruption of electrical service in the Clatskanie area was caused by timber men falling trees across the line.

Service interruptions of this type can be easily avoided if those concerned would contact the power company when cutting trees adjacent to power lines.

One of the electrical magazines carried a story in its January issue telling how a farmer in Idaho was electrocuted when a tree he was cutting fell and hit a power line.

Frank D. Seelye, manager of the West Oregon Electric Cooperative, requests all people who are working adjacent to the lines to notify his office so that he can arrange to have experienced men standing by in case an emergency should occur.

## Library Adds 17 New Books

Recent purchases of books by the City of Vernonia library board has added 17 new volumes to the shelves for the use of readers. Release of the list was made by Mrs. E. J. Douglass, librarian.

The new books are: Brave Men Pyle; Angus and the Ducks, Flack; The Egg and I, MacDonald; Tao Big, D'Aulaire; Twin Colts, Hogan; River Road, Keyes; Anatomy of Peace, Reeves; Mr. Pepper's Penguins, Atwater; Wilderness Champion, Lippincott; Desert Town, Stewart; The King's General, Du Maurier; Honk the Moose, Wisse; Cannery Row, Steinbeck; Bedelia, Caspary; Remembered Death, Christie; Blue Willow, Gates; and Burlap, Dennis.

All these books are ready to go out. In addition, a pressboard folio of cancer literature has been received from the Oregon Division of the American Cancer Society and that, too, is available to the public.

## Surplus Property Listing Available

Received and available for inspection at The Eagle office are listings of surplus government property which is listed for sale by the reconstruction finance corporation, a disposal agency designated by the surplus property administration.

One listing is dated February 20 and includes copper and copper base alloys (sheets, tubing, pipe and bars) and the other dated February 28th lists power and light cable.

Local people who may be interested in the listings may see them by calling at this office.

### Librarian Positions Open

According to an announcement from the Vernonia library board, the positions of city librarian and substitute librarian are open for application until March 14th. Anyone wishing to apply for either position may leave an application at the city hall.