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Way Clearing Nearly Done For New Line

West Oregon Co-op Line Building to Start Next Week

The clearing of right-of-way on the Warren-Vernonia power line which, when finished will provide the Nehalem valley with an abundance of power, is nearly completed Manager Frank D. Seelye said Monday. At that time it was anticipated that the clearing would be completed by the end of this week so that construction work can start the first of the coming week.

The next step will be the moving out of material and poles and the digging of the holes, Mr. Seelye said. The crew working on the line is under the supervision of Lon Laughton who joined the Cooperative a few days ago. Mr. Laughton has had 30 years of experience in this type of work.

Two employees of the Cooperative have resigned, effective August 1, today, Mr. Seelye also announced.

Mrs. Carol Benson is terminating her work with the concern in order to join her husband, a former navy man now employed at Tillamook. Mrs. Benson previously was employed by the Nehalem Valley Electric Cooperative at Jewell before coming here to be associated with West Oregon.

F. E. Ensworth, West Oregon superintendent, has also resigned effective today. Mr. Ensworth announced no future plans. He has been employed by the Cooperative since its purchase of the Oregon Gas and Electric and was formerly employed by that company.

Missing Woman Returns Monday

Mrs. Stella Stafford, 58, returned to her home at Treharne Monday morning about 10 o'clock after being lost in the hills since 4 p.m. Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Stafford started out to pick berries and evidently was unable to find her way home before nightfall.

Roy Peasley, owner of the Sunnyside Service station placed several calls Monday morning previous to Mrs. Stafford's return, attempting to arrange a searching party.

Mrs. Stafford was lost in the area between Treharne and the Pebble creek road. She suffered no ill effects from the night spent in the woods.

REPAINTING STARTED

Painting of the exterior wood work was started Monday by Henry Richert on the West Oregon Electric building. The work will also include redecoration of the interior of the building.

Notify VA Before Job Is Changed, Craig Says

Veterans who are taking on the-job training are advised by the veterans administration not to quit their jobs or transfer to other employment without notifying the VA first.

Tom Craig, VA contact representative in Vernonia explained that failure to do so may jeopardize a veterans chance to resume training at a later date.

"It is to his positive advantage to consult with a VA training officer or contact representative before quitting his training or taking another job," Craig stated.

Creek Clean-up Below Pool Club Plan Thurs.

Improvement of Rock creek below the city park pool was definitely planned Monday evening by the Vernonia Booster club for Thursday evening of this week. A general clean-up similar to the one held last year was talked at the same meeting and vetoed because of the opinion that much improvement and clean-up work has already been done by property owners.

Last year a good deal of cleaning in the business section was

accomplished on lots and streets that since have been improved and are better maintained.

The project for this Thursday is to remove debris from the creek and thereby improve the park area further. Business men are asked by Club President Lou Girod to meet at the park at 6 o'clock to undertake the work which is estimated will require a couple of hours.

A future program for the club was placed in the hands of a committee named Monday by the president when he appointed Bill Horn, Lyman Hawken, Ray Justice and Marvin Kamholz to work out plans for future activity.

The Boosters will meet again in two weeks at the same place as this week, the Vernonia Country Club.

New Drivers' Manual Issued

An entirely new edition of the Oregon Driver's Manual has just been released from the secretary of state's office. In more fully illustrated format, the manual is intended primarily to give new drivers the rules of the road. Like earlier editions, it will be issued to all those who desire to be examined for drivers licenses in Oregon.

"It is hoped that the material will serve a far broader purpose by encouraging among drivers and pedestrians alike a desire and an ability to assist in the promotion of greater safety for all on the streets and highways of Oregon," Robert S. Farrell, Jr., secretary of state, has said.

Designed not to be memorized but to be understood, the manual is far more readable than any previous edition. It features large type, prominent headings, and actual photographs in place of most sketches. Highway signs are illustrated in color. The material is presented in extremely brief sections and everyday language.

Included for the first time is a check-list of driving faults similar to the one used by examiners giving drivers' license tests. Another feature is a sample test on Oregon traffic laws. Anyone who studies the manual thoroughly should be able to pass with a perfect or near-perfect grade.

Beverly Herrin Wins Scholarship

Beverly Herrin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Herrin, was awarded a scholarship as the most outstanding student at the Christian Youth camp held last week at Silver Creek Falls. The award was made by the faculty at the camp.

Attending the camp from Vernonia, in addition to Miss Herrin, were Rev. Ernest Baker, Christian church pastor, and Mrs. Baker, Delores Johnson, Janet Kono, Ralph Sawyer, Floyd Sneider, Barbara Bass and Gerald Millis. Ten boys of the church also attended the Christian Boys camp at Turner.

These young people will have a part in the evening church service next Sunday and will tell some of their experiences.

"The VA will help the veteran set up a new program of education or job training, or will arrange to postpone his use of G.I. training rights until a later date."

Changes are permitted only for good reasons, as the VA intends that the veteran should utilize his educational benefits primarily to further a life-long occupation.

A change of objective in a training program requires the counsel of advisers in the VA guidance section. Veterans in this area who need assistance are nearest to the Portland center, Craig said.

Farm Issues 73 Permits to Pick Berries

705 Gallons Picked by 282 People; Hot Weather Kills Vines

The blackberry season for 1945 is about over. That is the announcement made this week from local headquarters of the Columbia County Tree Farm and it was also said that high temperatures of the past week have killed the tender vines and dried the new berries.

The season this year was one of the best for a number of years. The berries were not only plentiful, but very large and tasty. The following data gives an idea of what the housewives of this vicinity will have to offer in the way of dessert this winter. There were 73 permits issued for 282 pickers who picked 705 gallons of berries.

When the announcement was made, Farm Supervisor Glen Hawkins said "this is not only a record yield, but the pickers themselves are to be complimented for their fine conduct while in the woods. 'Keep Oregon Green' must have been uppermost in the minds of every one for not a single fire during the picking season was attributed to people gathering berries."

Game Commission Sets Regulations

The 1946 hunting regulations were finally adopted by the Oregon state game commission on July 27.

The general deer season will extend from September 28 to October 25 inclusive, with a bag limit of one deer having not less than forked antlers. Five special antlerless deer seasons have been authorized on problem ranges.

The general elk season will extend from October 29 to November 20 inclusive in Eastern Oregon and close one week earlier in Western Oregon. The bag limits differ by areas.

Two small special elk seasons have been authorized on problem elk ranges in Eastern Oregon.

The upland game bird season will extend from October 19 to 27 in most counties with a bag limit of 3 cock pheasants and 5 valley quail. The season will extend to November 2 in Malheur county and will not open in the Willamette valley counties.

The closing date for applications for licenses to hunt in the special big-game seasons will be accepted until 5 p.m. August 21. After which time drawings will be held and successful applicants notified. (No person shall be entitled to receive more than one special deer license and elk license.) License fees remain the same as last year except that the special deer licenses will be \$5.00 for residents and \$25.00 for non-residents.

All hunters will be required to check in and out of special big game hunting areas; and no person shall possess any game birds or game animals in an area in which the season is closed or inconsistent unless said birds or animals have been properly tagged within the area in which they were legally taken.

Gun regulations remain the same as last year except that the military M-1 carbines and Garand and Johnson automatic rifle and machine guns have been banned for hunting.

RECORD DEPARTMENT OPENS

Something new for Vernonia will be the opening of a record department in the Bush Furniture store. Preparation for the opening is being made this week and the records will include both classical and popular numbers.

454 X-rays Made By Mobile Unit

X-rays to check for the presence of tuberculosis were taken of 314 people here Monday and Tuesday while the mobile unit was stationed near the high school gym and of about 140 employees of the O-A mill where the unit was set up Tuesday afternoon.

Word of the number of people checked at the gym was announced by Mrs. Frank Hartwick who was in charge of arrangements for the two-day visit of the unit.

The number is less than last year's "take" when 623 people were examined, but a greater number was scheduled here this time to visit the unit at the gym, only to miss the opportunity when the operators of the unit left late Tuesday morning to set up at the mill. Instructions given Mrs. Hartwick last week were that the unit would operate here until 5 p.m. One hundred and forty-six x-rays were taken

Monday at the gym and 168 Tuesday.

Results of the pictures will be received here in about a week by card. Mrs. Hartwick was informed. She was assisted in arranging for appointments and other details by Mrs. Wilfred Holce, Mrs. James Troy, Mary Pat Caton and Beverly Bateman.

The unit came here from Clatskanie and left for Rainier.

VA Man to Spend Half Day Here

The veterans administration will continue to conduct its regular weekly contact service here, but starting Wednesday of this week, time was limited to a half day instead of the full day offered previously. Thomas Craig, VA representative here, announced.

Craig will be at the city hall in Vernonia on Wednesday mornings only, at which time he will be available to all veterans seeking information on the benefits contained in both the G.I. bill and public law 16.

Among the latest improvements in the educational benefits, Craig said, are several additional correspondence school courses, recently contracted for by the VA. These include commercial banking, investments, savings management and real estate financing, trusts, commercial art, cartooning and designing, meat cutting, accounting, life underwriting, statistics, federal procedures, reports and agriculture.

The VA will pay for these courses but veterans who take correspondence courses are not eligible for subsistence payments, Craig explained. Listings of all approved correspondence schools are available, he said.

Vernonia Scout To Attend Camp

Donald Renfro, member of Vernonia Scout Troop 201, will go to the state forestry camp at Pamela lake near Mt. Jefferson from August 10 to August 24. Scoutmaster Ed Frazier said Tuesday. Renfro will be one of the representatives attending from the Forest Grove district and was selected for the camp because he is the senior patrol leader of the local troop.

About four hours every day will be spent working for the forestry department and most of the remaining time will be devoted to studies of birds, plants, trail building and other scouting activities.

The Vernonia troop will be sponsored for another year by the I.O.O.F. lodge, members of that group decided by a vote taken Tuesday evening of this week.

EXAMINER SCHEDULED

A drivers license examiner is scheduled to be on duty in Vernonia at the city hall between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Friday, August 9. Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to get in touch with the examiner well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure completion of their applications with a minimum of delay.

Two Teachers Needed Yet

Two positions in the Vernonia high school teaching staff are still vacant and the problem of filling the vacancies is not an easy one Principal Ray Mills said Tuesday. Instructors are more difficult to obtain this year than was true last year both he and Paul Gordon, grade school superintendent, have said.

At the high school Mr. Mills still lacks an English teacher due to a vacancy arising earlier in the summer. Also needed now is an industrial arts teacher to replace Leonard Baker, who resigned a short time ago to take a position near Sacramento, California, as elementary school principal. Mrs. Baker, who taught in the grades last year, will leave too and cause another vacancy in that staff.

The high school oil burning unit for the furnace is to be installed later this month and the tank for storing oil will be placed soon. The tank will be buried and the oil pumped from it to the burner. A hole for the tank is being dug by Harold McEntire who has also assisted Bob Spencer with repair work on the building interior. All summer work at the school is planned for completion by September 9 which is the date set for the opening of school.

Annual Dixie Mt. Picnic Dated

The annual Dixie Mountain Pioneer picnic will be held Sunday, August 11 at a new picnic location, Mrs. Minnie Krinick, president of the group announces this week. The new picnic grounds are located about three-quarters of a mile from the county post on the Dixie road.

A new picnic ground was required because the timber has been removed from the old meeting place. A program has been arranged and also a picnic dinner for which parties attending are asked to bring enough plates, cups, knives, forks and lunch to supply the individual group.



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