

(Frizt photo. Cut courtesy Oregon Journal)

COLD WEATHER has added difficulty to the oil drilling operation near Mist, but the work is continuing on a three eight-hour-shift basis. Sixteen men are on the job for the Thompson and Thompson Oil company which is doing the work for the Texas company. Drilling started November 11 and is down over 3000 feet now. The derrick height is 129 feet.

### Collectors Plan Tax Return Aid

Deputy collectors from the office of the collector of internal revenue in Portland will be in Vernonia for two days, Monday and Tuesday, February 10 and 11, an announcement from the office this week indicates. Collectors will also be at Rainier February 3, and St. Helens, February 4 to 6 inclusive. They were at Clatskanie Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

In addition to the visit here the assistance to taxpayers in preparing federal income tax returns for 1946 is available at the branch office of the collector of internal revenue, Room 100 Pittock block, Portland, daily except Saturdays and Sundays until March 3. Assistance will be given at the Portland office from March 3 to 15 inclusive, the final day of the filing period, including Saturdays.

## Children Thanked For Clothing

Mrs. Lillian Akers, leader of the Junior Red Cross at the Washington grade, received the thanks of the Columbia County Chapter a few days ago for the work and clothing donations made by the junior group.

Considerable effort has been put forth by the children during the past few months in order to participate to a large extent in this county's donations to the people of France. The appreciation for the work done was extended by Mrs. Nannie B. Harrison, executive secretary of the county chapter.

## Lions to Meet At Legion Hall

The Vernonia Lions club is scheduled to return to the Legion hall again next Monday noon for the regular luncheon, Cleve Robbertson, head of the committee in charge of that detail of the club's activities, said Wednesday morning.

The day's program will feature motion pictures.

### Grudge Fight Aid to 'Dimes'

To add to the March of Dimes drive, the students of Vernonia high school each paid 10c to see a grudge boxing match between Dudley Spofford and Don Schaumburg in the gym January 28.

The match, which consisted of five two-minute rounds was action-packed and full of excitement. The bout ended in a draw. Referee was James Chipps.

Admission for the grudge event

## Conference Is Plan February 3

totaled over \$20.

Rev. P. P. Petticord, conference superintendent of the Evangelical United Brethren church (Oregon-Washington conference) will be here to take charge of the third quarterly conference at the local church, Rev. Allen H. Backer said Wednesday. The conference is scheduled for Wednesday evening, February 5.

Rev. Petticord will speak and also show pictures on the screen of the Gospel Gleemen tour to Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The public is invited to the meeting which will begin at 7:30.

### Nehalem Valley Truck Hijacked

A Nehalem Valley Motor Freight truck which was loaded and ready to make the trip here from Portland was stolen early Friday morning in Portland and was not located until Monday of this week.

Frank Hartwick, owner, said Saturday that the truck contained several thousand dollars of merchandise destined for local stores. The vehicle was found at Damascus in southwest Portland and when found much of the merchandise had been removed. The truck cab was damaged slightly.

#### Meetings Scheduled

Special revival meetings are scheduled at the Evangelical United Brethren church for March 23 to April 6. Rev. F. B. Culver of Portland will be the evangelist.

# Dime Drive To Benefit From Dance

Dime Boxes Will Remain to Monday Chairman Says

People who like to dance can do so and at the same time help boost Vernonia's contribution to the March of Dimes fund which will be used in the coming year to fight infantile paralysis. The dance, net proceeds of which will go to the fund, is scheduled Saturday evening, February 1 at the Legion hall.

Legionnaires are sponsoring the affair for which the Rhythm Vendors will play. During intermission lunch is to be served by the American Legion Auxiliary and net proceeds from that will also go to the Dime fund.

A number of collection boxes have been placed in business houses in town by Chairman Paul Gordon who said early this week that the boxes will remain out until Monday of the coming week. A program at the Washington grade school Wednesday afternoon also helped swell the fund because an admission was charged students who attended.

### Rose Services Held Monday

Funeral services were held at the Bush Funeral Home Monday afternoon for Armel Rose, Sr., a resident of Vernonia for a year, and burial was at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery.

Mr. Rose was born at Oakley, Idaho, December 4, 1899, and passed away January 23, 1947, at the age of 47 years, one month and 19 days. Surviving the diseased are: His wife, Vera; children Betty Lou, Armel and Evelyn; mother, Elizabeth Rose of Provo, Utah; brothers, Wilbern of Glens Ferry, Idaho, and Wesley of Salt Lake, Utah; sisters, Lucretia Rathbone and Roena Crab of Boise, Idaho; Juaneta Port of Oakley, Idaho, and Leona Sherry of Provo, Utah.

Armel Rose was baptized into the Mormon church at the age of seven. Officiating at the services Monday was Rev. Ernest P. Baker.

# Station Opening Response Good

Atley P. Chapman, who opened the Texaco station Saturday, was highly appreciative of the response of people in this vicinity to his first day of business, he said Monday. The opening brought over 600° people to view the new building and display rooms.

Several gifts for people who visited the store are waiting to be claimed, Mr. Chapman said. Joe Roberson, 626 Rose Ave., will receive the radio and others to receive gifts are: Tom Wolf, five gallons of oil; Gerald L. Borders, scooter, and Mary A. White, case of motor oil.



### Game Commission Adopts Final Rules Jan. 25

Reconvening its hearing on angling regulations Saturday, January 25, the Oregon state game commission adopted the final regulations for 1947. Some changes were made from those tentatively set January 11 including opening the general trout season on April 26 instead of May

### Salvation Army Asks Welfare Aid

The Salvation Army, for which a solicitation was recently completed here, organized in Columbia county a short time ago in order to carry on welfare work in this area, Rosetta Buchanan, solicitor here, said late last week. The county local sponsoring committee is headed by Francis Gill, St. Helens. Wales Wood is treasurer and E. R. Bellingham, secretary.

The solicitation completed here will be made only once each year and will be carried out by those carrying proper credentials.

Having the "know how" by virtue of its 80 years' experience, the Salvation Army is now in the field helping to solve many warrelated problems for boys and girls, counseling the perplexed, both civilian and military, who have problems.

In addition to these services the local fund solocited here will be available to those who at any time may need temporary assistance. This fund is administered through the sponsoring committee.

# **Credit Union Names Officers**

The Vernonia Credit Union held its annual meeting and election of officers, January 17, at the Union hall.

Mrs. Celesta Poetter was elected president and John Roediger, treasurer-clerk.

New members were elected on the credit and advisory committees.

The credit committee will meet once a week on Friday evenings. Any member interested in making application for a loan should contact John Roediger shortly before the weekly meeting for prompt action on the application.

The next meeting of the Credit Union will be held February 4 at the home of Mrs. Lee Engen.

### 16 Listed on Honor Roll

Sixteen students of Vernonia high school received listings on the honor roll for recently-completed six-week period. The Freshman class led by placing five students on the roll.

By classes the names were:
Seniors—Mary Ann Jones, Cora
Dusenberry, Miriam Corll and
Elna Morris; Juniors — Hulda
Johnson, Theresa Schmidlin and
Lillian Lusby; Sophomores—Delores Johnson, Mary Jane Armstrong, Maxine Hartwick and
Beverly Herrin and Freshmen—
Betty Jane Snook, Mary Ann
Clark, Marjory Roland, Donna
May Barrett and Lois Frank.

#### Pomona To Meet

The Pomona grange will meet Saturday, February 1 at the Fern Hill Grange Hall, Mrs. Elsie Tracy, secretary, announced this week. The meeting is scheduled to begin promptly at 11:00 a.m.

#### Hearse Obtained

J. A. Bush, Jr., returned Saturday from Pocatello, Idaho, with a hearse purchased several weeks ago to replace the one damaged in an accident a few weeks ago. 3. Printed copies of the 1947 angling synopsis probably will be available the early part of March.

General trout regulations place the open season from April 26 to October 15 inclusive with the exception of special seasons for certain waters. Open season in all tidewater areas for trout will be from June 15 to October 15 inclusive.

The bag limit is 10 fish but not to exceed 15 pounds and 1 fish in any one day and 30 fish but not to exceed 30 pounds and 2 fish in any seven consecutive days or in possession at any one time; provided, however, that there is no limit for whitefish or Dolly Varden

The minimum length limit in general is six inches with the exceptions of: Eight inches in that part of the main MacKenzie river below Bine river (exclusive of tributaries).

Eight inches in coastal waters which include that part of the Umpqua river and tributaries below the highway bridge at Scottsburg; that part of the Rogue river and tributaries below the Ferry Hole; and all other waters tributary to the Pacific ocean south of the Columbia river;

Ten inches in Diamond lake.

## Livestock Men To Meet Feb. 4

The next meeting of the Columbia County Livestock association will be held in the Yankton Grange Hall on Friday, February 14, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. according to J. C. Moran, president of the association.

There will be an important discussion of the livestock industry at that time, including production and management problems, laws which might be proposed in the legislature, and other important matters pertaining to the industry.

Diner is being arranged at noon. All those interested in livestock whether it be beef, dairy, sheep or other livestock, are invited to be present.

# **Exemption Must**Be Filed Yearly

Churches, lodges and granges must file yearly for tax exemptions on property held by those groups James Anliker, representing the county assessor's office, said Saturday when he was in Vernonia. The filing procedure must be carried out each year in order to receive the exemption from taxes, he said.

The law requires that the filing be made by February 1, Saturday, but an extension of time will be granted due to the lateness in giving notice. Only one such organization has filed so far this year.

# **Applicants for Course Needed**

Prospective students to enroll in a mechanics training school are still needed before the course can be given and those who are interested are urged to submit their names to Box 247 c/o Engine Mechanics, Vernonia. Twenty students are wanted and notification will be made when the school is to begin.

The course will refresh old mechanics and teach new mechanics the latest theories of engines. The eight-weeks-long course costs \$140 which includes all texts and necessary paper materials.

# Delayed Chest Campaign to Start in Feb.

Drive Originally Set for October, November Months

Mrs. Frank Walworth of Deer Island has been named chairman for the Columbia county community chest campaign to be held in February. This campaign is to raise funds for eight Oregon agencies represented by the Oregon chest.

The participating agencies are:
Boys' and Girls' Aid society,
Catholic Charities Children's bureau, Children's Farm Home, Oregon Mental Hygiene society, Oregon Protective society, Salvation
Army's White Shield & Wemme
Homes, Volunteers of America's
Mothers' and Childrens' Home and
Waverly Baby Home.

Seven of these agencies care for needy and dependent children of Oregon. In 1945 they provided 5277 days care for 29 children from Columbia county. These children depend upon the agencies for all the necessities of life. The agencies receive some assistance from the state of Oregon, but must depend upon voluntary contributions through community chests for the larger portion of the funds required to provide adequate care for the children of Ore-

The Columbia county community chest campaign was originally scheduled to be held in October and November but was postponed until February. The fact that Mrs. Walworth has consented to serve as chairman is deeply appreciated by officials of the Orecon chest, and it is anticipated that she will receive every assistance from the good people of Columbia county in this most worthwhile program.

## Youth Week Banquet Held

Thirty-two young people of the Christian church were in attendance at a banquet Sunday which they held as part of the observance of National Youth week, Rev. Ernest P. Baker said Monday. Committee chairman in charge was Delores Johnson.

The young people will also have charge of the church program on the coming Sunday evening at 7:30.

## Office Manager Named Saturday

Clark Cain, formerly of Goldendale, Washington, will be the new office manager of the West Oregon Electric Cooperative to fill the vacancy that will arise in February when A. D. Jackson, present office manager, will leave.

Mr. Cain comes here from Washington where he was formerly with the state highway department. He began work Monday to familiarize himself with the office.

### No Sun Sunday, Let's Hope

Snow, snow and more snow and cloudy skies when it isn't snowing. That's been the weather menu in these parts for some weeks. Such "goings on" here aren't appreciated in such big doses as have been dished out so far this winter, but now that there has been so much of it, it just as well continue through the coming Sunday. Why?

Because Sunday, February 2 is Groundhog day and should there be sunshine then, there'll be six weeks' more winter. At least that's the way the saying goes.