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## Community Invited to Christmas Cantata Sun.

The community is invited to be present at the presentation of "The Cradle of Bethlehem" by Berge which is to be presented at the auditorium of the Washington grade school by an all-church choir on Sunday evening at 7:45 p.m.

The cantata pictures musically the annunciation, which led to birth of the Christ child and follows through the adoration of the shepherds and kings. Worked in throughout are a variation of carols of all countries. The chorus is featured in many numbers with soloists lending great assistance.

Soloists to be heard include the following: Sally Roediger, Ruth

## Rainfall Total Is 7.02 in Nov.

Rainfall for the month of November is listed at 7.02 inches by Mrs. Helen Spofford, weather observer for this vicinity, in her report for the past month released Wednesday morning. November of this year is behind the same month last year by over two inches, a comparison reveals. In November, 1948 the rainfall was 9.36 inches.

Other data for November, 1949 is: maximum temperature, November 5, 74 degrees; minimum, November 20, 27 degrees and greatest amount of rainfall in a 24-hour period, November 23, 1.10 inches.

Maximum for November, 1948 was 56 degrees and minimum, 20 degrees with the greatest rainfall in a single day for that month being 1.13 inches.

As compared with Ketchikan, Alaska, where Mrs. Spofford's son, Earl, resides, the rainfall here is small. So far this year, rainfall there has totaled 187.88 inches and lacks less than 2 1/2 inches of setting an all-time record. The all-time record for Ketchikan occurred in 1917 when the city was deluged with 190.31 inches. The driest year was 20 years later in 1937 with 117.12 inches.

## Stolen Pickup Found

The pickup truck belonging to Robert Reed was stolen here Monday evening and recovered about midnight in Washington county. When found, the pickup was in possession of Reuben Lee Hall. Hearing has been set for Thursday, today, at 1 p.m. in justice of peace court.

Anderson, Mrs. P. P. Weidman, Mary Ann Clark, sopranos; Amy Kamholz, Helen Lindsay, contraltos; Paul Sisler, tenor; G. Wm. Anderson, baritone and E. P. Brous, bass. This is the third cantata which the ministerial association has presented with G. Wm. Anderson directing and Lois Clark and Louise Thomas accompanying.

## Logger Netmen Start with Win

The Vernonia high school basketball team got away to a flying start in the local gym Tuesday night with the Loggers dumping an overconfident Tillamook five. The tall Cheesemakers found themselves behind from the opening whistle and were never able to get rolling against the hard fighting Vernonians.

The game was a see-saw affair until the final quarter when the Loggers built up a ten-point bulge over the boys from the coast country.

The scoring column found all the local boys contributing points to their total. The final gun found the score at 35 to 27 for the winners.

In the preliminary game the Junior Loggers found the Tillamook boys too big and too fast and lost their first game. The Vernonia B team is composed entirely of freshmen and sophomores.

The next games in the local gym finds Yamhill here on December 13 and Forest Grove on December 20. The county Jamboree will be played Friday night at St. Helens.

## Salary Schedule Talked by Men

The Columbia County men teachers meeting, held here Monday evening at the Washington school, was devoted principally to a discussion of the topic of retirement and a county-wide salary schedule, according to Paul A. Gordon, grade superintendent.

Mr. Gordon was named to a committee headed by Howard Tong and including Ray Pigott to study the problem further.

Attendance for the session was listed at 43 men who were served a fried chicken dinner in the school cafeteria.

## Playground Supervisor Is Planned

### High School PTA Asks Help of Other Groups for Project

A playground supervisor this coming summer will be discussed as the principal topic of the next meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher association when the group gathers next Monday evening at the high school.

Announcement of the meeting was made Tuesday evening by Mrs. Bruce Bass, president of the association.

The other organizations here, such as lodges, clubs, churches, etc., are being asked to have representatives present at the meeting, Mrs. Bass said, so that the plan can be given the attention of all local groups. Letters of invitation have been sent out, but if some group has been omitted, this may be considered as a request to attend, she said.

A supervised playground for next summer is a project that has been mentioned before as a needed addition to the summer use of the city park.

## Freshmen Top Honor Listing

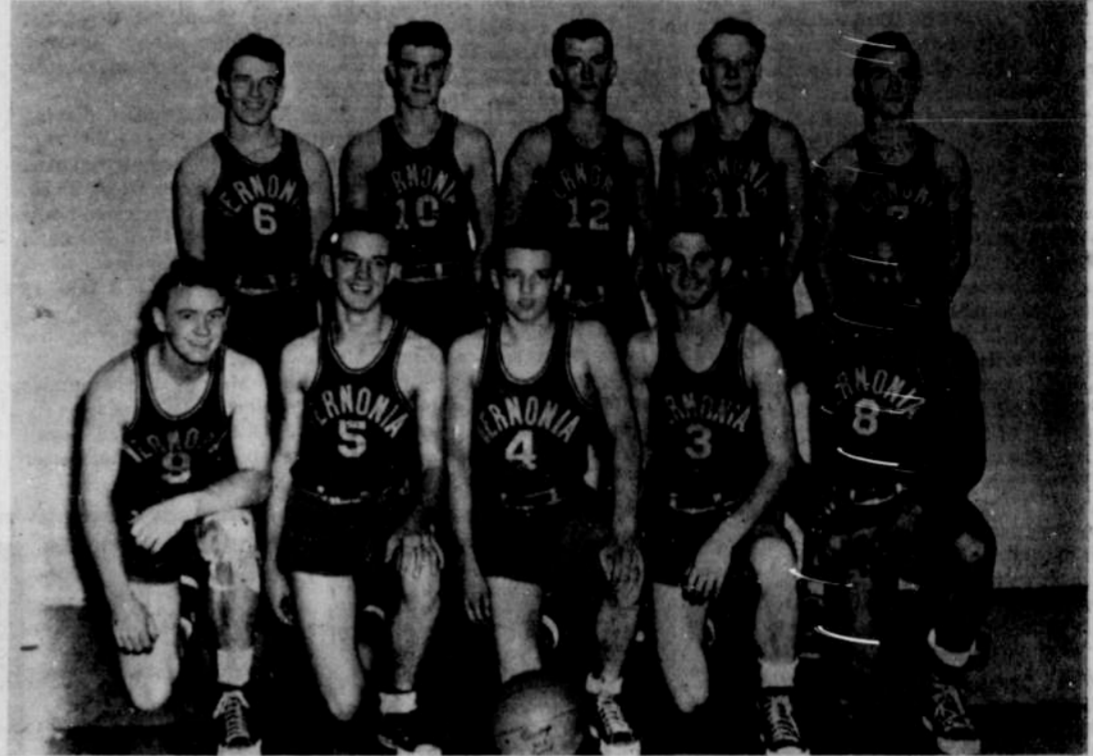
The Freshmen topped the list as far as the last six-week honor roll listing at the high school is concerned according to Principal Ray Mills who released the names this week of students listed on the roll. The first-year high school class totaled seven honor students. By classes the high students were:

Seniors—Lois Frank, Marjorie Roland, Betty Jane Snook, Floyd Snyder and Jack Burnham; Juniors—Delores Barrett, Nancy Fletcher, Wesley Hunt, Janet Peterson, Marguerite Thomas; Sophomores—Darlene Aspinall, Jimmy Sozoff, Sharon Magoff; Freshmen—Margaret Golden, Jean Kirkbride, Frances Kaspar, Glenna Pearl, Joy Silver, Ora May Smith and Irene Weaver.

## Meeting Date Set

The next Townsend club meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 11 at the Legion hall and at that time Joe Dunne will be present to speak to those who attend. An open invitation to attend has been extended.

## The First Ten



THE LOGGER first 10 men were named by Coach Robert Hoefs late last week. Standing from left are: Charles Tapp, Floyd Snyder, Ronald LaFollette, O. Bahr, Gordon Crowston; kneeling, Harold Crowston, Loren Mills, Gene Wall, Gerald Millis and Sylvester Williams. (VE photo and engraving)

## Scouts Go to Honor Court

At the Boy Scout court of honor held at Forest Grove December 1, Troop 201 Vernonia was represented by 24 boys up for advancement and merit badges Lloyd Quinn, Scoutmaster said earlier this week. Fifty-three per cent of the local troop was up for some type of advancement that night.

Five boys, David Strong, Pat Lloyd, Ozzy Ray, Bruce Hoyt and Charles McAdam, were awarded Star Scout badges. Kenneth Jacobs and Bobby Rose were awarded first class ranks. Vernonia Star Scouts and first class scouts were the only first class and Star Scout awards in the Forest Grove district. Merit badges and second class ratings were too numerous to mention.

The scout committee expressed its thanks to all parents present, but regrets that the honor award was not given Vernonia because of the lack of sufficient parent participation.

The court was preceded by a pot-luck dinner enjoyed by over 200 boys and parents.

Four of the Scouts from here and their Scoutmaster witnessed the state high school football championship game in Portland December 3. Scouts are used as ushers for some of the games and two of these games were participated in by Vernonia boys.

At the troop meeting Monday night, 39 boys were present plus the Scoutmaster and three committeemen.

## Sportsmen to Meet Friday

Sportsmen who are interested in activities of the Vernonia Rod and Gun club are scheduled to meet at the West Oregon Electric office Friday evening, tomorrow night, at 8 o'clock.

The meeting has been called by President Harry King in order for members of the club to take care of general business matters that have arisen and to adopt by-laws for the Keasey property.

Incorporation of the club was started some time ago in order to purchase the property a short distance above Keasey from the Cooperative and preserve that area as a public fishing area.

## Joins Service

Cpl. Keith Cowan, recruiter who visits several times each month, announced late last week that Calvin Lamar Mitchell had enlisted in the Corps of Engineers for a period of three years.

## Santa's Visit Due Dec. 22

Immediately after the big Christmas program at the Washington grade school on the evening of December 22, Santa Claus, who will be sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, assisted by other Lodges and business houses, will appear on the stage with goodies galore for all good little girls and boys.

Santa will also be here several times later this month to visit stores in order to take orders from children for Christmas delivery. His appearances then will be made possible by the Vernonia Lions club.

## Community Sing Date Changed

The regular meeting of the Vernonia Community Sing was held November 27 at the Baptist church with Mr. Hibbs as leader and Mrs. Lois Clark as pianist. The Jones' quartet sang several request selections and other special numbers included a duet by Rev. and Mrs. Paul Sisler and solos by Helen Frank and Murvel Frank. Rev. Joe Smith surprised the audience by playing a recording of the special numbers and group singing.

Since one of the regular meetings would be on Christmas day, it was voted to hold the next Community Sing December 18. At this time Miss Barbara Bass, who will be in charge, has planned an interesting Christmas program.

Everyone is cordially invited to help in the singing of Christmas carols at the next meeting which will be held at the Christian church, Sunday, December 18 at 2:30 p.m.

## Councilmen Hear Proposal on Slot Machines; Garbage Talked

Vernonia city councilmen heard one proposal at their Monday evening meeting concerning the proposed operation of slot machines within the city for the coming year when the owners of three taverns appeared and one of them, Wray Hudkins, presented a request that he be permitted to install machines which he would purchase. The matter of slot machine operation will also come up for consideration again at the next council meeting later this month and then the council will decide upon disposition of the matter and the amount of revenue that will be asked for operation of the machines.

Harry French also appeared

## Show Planned By Scout Troop

At a meeting of the Scout committee and Jim Davies, Cubmaster, at the home of D. F. O'Brien, chairman of the committee, Monday night, plans were prepared and definite steps taken for a Scouting merit badge show which will include the Cubs and Boy Scouts to be held during National Boy Scout week December 6-12.

The meeting was attended also by Beryl Morris, Scout field executive from Portland. Forty-five Scouts and 40 Cubs will participate in the show.

A joint meeting of the Scout committee and the Cub Scout committee will take place December 14 at the School library to plan further for the show.

## New Business Opens

The service station at the S. E. corner of Bridge street and Rose avenue is now under the management of Bill Olinger, according to an announcement made earlier this week. The station will be open every evening from 6 to 10 and on Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

## 15 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT



## First Team Squad



THESE ARE the 10 boys who make up the first starting grade school basketball team for the 1949-50 season. From the left kneeling: Homer Fuller, Kenneth Nanson, Lee Faulk, Speed Lusby and Francis Crowston; standing from left: Coach Paul Gordon, Henry Bass, Billy Braun, Derrel Borders, Henry Higley and Wayne Thomas. Dick Gwin, manager, stands at left. Red MacDonald is helping with the coaching of the boys.