

## Vernonia's First Sawmill



A FEW oldtimers living here will remember this sawmill. It was the first one built in Vernonia and was in operation many years before the present mill. It was built in 1893 on a site close to where the Oregon-American railroad bridge crosses Rock creek. The mill was owned by W. A. Harris and a man named Ridgeway logged for the mill with a team of oxen which does not show in the above picture. Working at the mill at that time were Newt Parker, Green Adams, Otto Malmsten, Charles Ichman and R. Sessman. The latter built the mill and served as millwright. The original picture is owned by Ed Sessman.

## IN OREGON

### SEED SPUDS GROWN

GRESHAM—Multnomah county certified seed potato growers



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have produced over 2,500 tons of seed potatoes this year, despite the fact that this area is an extremely difficult one in which to produce seed potatoes.

With constant efforts to control insect pests and continuous roguing throughout the growing season, producers here are able to produce a very fine quality seed.

During the past year, 582 acres were entered for certification. Of this acreage, 473.1 acres or 81 per cent of the acreage passed the field inspections.

### OPENING DATE SET

TILLAMOOK — The new million dollar Tillamook County hospital is nearing completion, members of the hospital board report. While the opening of the hospital has been delayed somewhat from early announcements, all signs are now pointing toward January 9th as the opening date.

When the hospital is ready for occupancy, it will be complete with furnishings for a 75-bed hospital with laboratory and x-ray departments, second to none in the state.

### CLASSROOMS BULGE

BEAVERTON — Members of school board No. 48 have voted to hold a special board election during January to authorize \$150,000 in school board bonds to be used for additional classroom space.

Necessity, for the increased

funds was revealed by census and school reports which indicate an increase of 75 pupils each year for the next six years. This figure is based on the difference between the size of the graduating class and the incoming first grade class each year without taking into account the heavy migration into the Beaverton area.

**CHEST 64.9 PERCENT DONE**  
McMINNVILLE — A total of \$7,764, or 64.9 per cent of Yamhill county's community chest goal has been reached, according to Mrs. Clarence Hendershott, chairman of the county committee.

The county's quota is \$11,953. According to reports from the 16 counties in the state participating in the state-wide community chest drive, only eight have reached their quotas. To date, 33.57 per cent of the state's goal of \$2,094,757.70 has been achieved.

### PARENTS RESPONSIBLE

SEASIDE — Not only will the curfew continue to ring in Seaside but parents will be responsible for violations of the ordinance on the part of their children as a result of action taken by the city council at a recent meeting. There has been a curfew ordinance in effect in Seaside for years, but the new ordinance makes several important changes in the law.

In the first place parents who knowingly permit the violation of the curfew ordinance may be fined as much as \$25 and jailed for as much as five days. No specific punishment for actual violators is listed except for the statement that they will be subject to the usual court procedure for juveniles.

### YULE BUYING BETTER

GRESHAM — As the Christmas buying period got under way full tilt in Gresham last week, it appeared that the volume of business by most merchants here would at least equal or surpass that of a year ago.

Merchants polled at random all reported that business was at least as good or better than a year ago. This is in contrast to reports emanating from other business areas that Christmas volume is down.

## Manual Outlines Safety Patrols

Distribution of a School Patrol manual providing a uniform program for establishing and operating various types of safety patrols in Oregon schools has been announced by Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry.

Newbry said the manual was prepared by the traffic safety division in response to numerous requests from school and law enforcement officials. It is intended to standardize organization and operation of traffic and school bus patrols and outlines additional activities covering the

other phases of school safety.

In addition to equipment normally furnished by the state highway department, schools may now receive badges, pledges, citations, and personal assistance from the traffic safety division, Newbry said. The new program is extended to schools which already operate patrols, as well as those which desire help in setting up a system.

The manual is now being distributed to law enforcement agencies and school officials. Requests for copies or information will be welcomed, the secretary indicated.

## 2nd Snag Order Given for Burn

McKinney & Knope, logging operators of Yamhill, have been

contracted the second snag-falling in the Tillamook burn reforestation project northwest district headquarters announced at Forest Grove last week.

Milton R. Mitchell, administrative assistant at headquarters said the contract is for falling 3333 snags at a bid of \$1665. This averages about 50 cents per snag. The bid by the Yamhill operators was lower than that for the first snag falling job which was awarded to the McCracken Bros. of Seaside.

The area to be snag-cleared is in firebreak No. 2 of block A Mitchell reported. The job must be completed in 180 days. Work was expected to start Monday of this week.

Completion of the first snag-falling contract job by the Seaside firm is expected within two weeks.



As a partial measure of our friendship we express the sincere hope that this year holds for you a perfect Christmas.



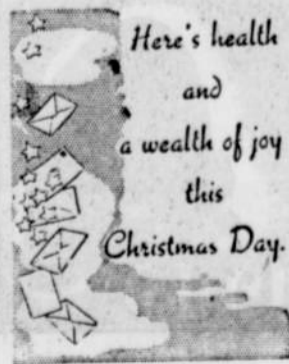
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