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Tree Planting Program Started



THIS YEAR'S program of tree planting on the Columbia Tree Farm began last week with two crews of 10 men each, all regular employes on the Farm, doing the work under supervision of Robert Lindsay, Crown forester. Mostly Douglas fir seedlings are being planted this year, according to Glen Hawkins, Farm manager. The seedlings are year-old stock from the Nisqually nursery and were grown there from seed which originally came from trees growing here. The seed was gathered during the 1948 harvest. Most of this year's planting will be in the area near Camp 8. Above is one of the 10-man crews in action planting a new forest on an old railroad grade originally used to harvest the old-growth forest. Below, Ed Buckner holds a planting tray of seedlings and the planting hoe used to break ground for placing each seedling. Both photos were taken Wednesday of last week by Harold Olson, West Coast representative of the American Forest Products Industries.

Assessor Points Out Deadline

People who have taxable personal property in their control are reminded that today, Thursday, March 2, is the deadline for filing their statement of property with the county assessor.

Announcement of the deadline time was made by County Assessor James Anliker who pointed out that the addition of a five per cent penalty for returns made after March 2 became mandatory when the law was amended in 1949.

Filing of the returns may be made with Bill J. Horn at the bank building here if taxpayers in this area should wish to do so for convenience.

Remodeling Ends At Two Places

The work of remodeling has been practically completed for two places of business here, one of which was started late last year and the other a short time ago.

Some remodeling of the interior and the installation of new wallboard has improved the business space occupied by the Apparel Shop. Work on the interior of the Vernonia Drug company has been completed and includes remodeling of shelves, new display tables, changing of a partition to enlarge the store and tile floor covering.



Union Easter Rites Planned

Plans for union Good Friday and Easter Sunrise services were agreed upon at the February meeting of the Vernonia Ministerial association which was held Tuesday, February 23.

Rev. H. L. Russell, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene and Rev. J. Smith, pastor of the Baptist church, are in charge of planning the Good Friday service which will be held the evening of April 7 at the Evangelical U.B. church. Rev. W. M. McBride, pastor of the Assembly of God church, and Rev. Heskitt, pastor of the First Christian church, will arrange for the Easter Sunrise service to be held adjacent to the Memorial cemetery, 6:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

The ministers of the association went on record as being favorable to present plans being formulated for a summer playground for the children and young people of Vernonia.

Preliminary plans were laid for a city-wide union evangelistic crusade, and other measures for combating moral delinquencies in the community were discussed with a view to future action.

Dimes Drive Nets \$354

This year's March of Dimes campaign brought a net of \$354.87, according to figures released Wednesday by Paul A. Gordon who acted as drive chairman for this area. Total amount taken in was \$365.87 and the amount above was the net after expenses incurred in carrying out the campaign. The latter amount is about \$200 less than was taken in for the March of Dimes last year.

The decrease for this year is attributed principally to weather conditions which prevented money-raising activities.

The three high dime boxes which were displayed in stores were: Brunsmann's, \$22.58; Dessy's Tavern, \$16.90 and the post office, \$10.25. Mr. Gordon expressed his appreciation to those who displayed the dime boxes, sent in the rural dime cards and the organizations which were able to help financially.

To Sell Tractors

E. E. Greenwood announced Monday of this week that he has taken on the dealership of the International Harvester Farmall Cub.

Entry Forced At 2 Places Of Business

\$150 Fine Levied In Justice Court Trial Tuesday

State and city police were busier than usual during the past week because of activities which included breaking and entering two places of business, the arrests of six boys, who were involved in 22 thefts, some of which occurred over a year ago and an arrest made Monday of this week on a charge of furnishing liquor to a man on the interdiction list.

Dessy's Tavern was broken into between 1:30 and 6 a.m. last Friday morning and a loss of \$24 resulted according to the state police who believe the theft was committed by outsiders. Entry to the tavern was made when a car was used to break down the front door. The Vernonia Auto company building was entered last Thursday night when a window was broken in the paint shop at the back of the structure. No arrests have been made in either case and no loss resulted from the auto firm.

Four of the six juveniles arrested last week have already received sentence in the juvenile court at St. Helens and two are yet to appear before the court. The boys were involved in 22 different robberies, mostly of gasoline, oil, accessories and tires from cars and trucks and some sawmill equipment. Property recovered has amounted to \$275.30 as the result of the arrests made by A. D. Lolley, city marshal, and state police.

The four boys who have already appeared in court received sentences each of a year in the county jail. Two were paroled for all of the year on condition that they do not become involved in any further trouble and two were paroled for 11 months, but are serving 30 days in jail.

Tried in the justice of peace court Tuesday morning was the case involving a charge of furnishing liquor to a man on the interdiction list. E. M. York was arrested on the charge Monday morning by City Marshal Shirley Kirtland and state police. He was fined \$150.

Merlin Garman of Birkenfeld was indicted on a charge of larceny by the grand jury a short time ago and was arrested by state police on a bench warrant when his bail bond was found invalid. He was charged with the theft of mill machinery in Clatskanie in early December. John Frazer of Mist was sentenced to two years in prison on the same charge.

Ability to Sing Is Recognized

Her ability as a vocalist has been recognized in an amateur program in which Laura Mae Seibert participated last week end at Laurelwood Academy near Gaston.

The program was sponsored by the Boy's club of the school and Miss Seibert was awarded first prize in her section of the event and also tied for the grand prize. The number she sang was entitled "Swiss Vocal Song."

Scoutmaster Resigns

Lloyd Quinn, scoutmaster of the Vernonia Troop, has tendered his resignation effective early last week due to personal reasons, he stated a few days ago. In announcing the resignation he indicated continuing interest in the Scouts and urged they see him if desiring special assistance on any problem. D. F. O'Brien was in charge of the troop meeting Monday evening.

McKee to Head Club Leaders Again; Camp, Fair Talked Saturday

Ralph McKee, Vernonia, was re-elected president of the Columbia county 4-H club leader's association at their meeting at Vernonia February 25. Other officers are Mrs. Alta Janes, vice-president, and Mrs. Pearl Becker, re-elected as secretary.

Thirty were present for the meeting. Plans were discussed for holding 4-H summer camp again this year, but no date has been scheduled yet.

Those appointed on the summer camp committee are Mrs. John Harvey, Clatskanie; Mrs. John Becker, Warren; Bob Lindsay,

Vernonia; Mrs. Robert Bock, Chapman; Mrs. Margit Petersen, Delena; Mrs. Alma Logan, Deer Island; and Henry Schultz, St. Helens.

There was considerable discussion concerning the county fair. A committee was appointed by McKee to make recommendations on certain matters and then meet with the fair board to present them. This livestock committee consists of R. H. Martin, St. Helens; Mrs. Harold Jones, Clatskanie; Paul DeShazer, Warren; Milfred Gregory, Goble; Mrs. Alta Janes, Deer Island; Norman Marmeier, Scappoose; and Don Lyons, Clatskanie.

Those on the home economics committee are Mrs. Mary Shangle, St. Helens; Mrs. Margaret Norman, Delena; Mrs. Henry Schultz, St. Helens; Mrs. Dallas Salyers, Quincy; Mrs. Inger Ashley, Mist; and Mrs. Elmer Lloyd, Deer Island.

The group voted to accept the 4-H livestock breeding project and food preparation demonstration activity during 1950. These contests are sponsored by Safeway stores, inc.

In the afternoon Harriet Heath and Dorothy Gwin, both of Vernonia, presented a demonstration on table setting. Each leader judged the demonstration. They then discussed the various points which are considered in judging demonstrations.

The county leaders training meeting was postponed from March 10 to March 31. Two state leaders from Corvallis will be in charge of this meeting which will be held in Rainier.

The committee appointed to work on the dormitory at the county fair is Mrs. Byron Kirkbride, Vernonia; Mrs. Jim Morgan, Vernonia; Mrs. John Becker; Boon Johnson, Birkenfeld; and Jack Cook, Delena.

Scout Circus Is Cub Topic Sat.

The Cub Scouts held their monthly Pack meeting Tuesday evening at which time a discussion was held covering the Boy Scout circus to be held March 25. Lloyd Quinn, Scoutmaster, was guest for the evening and elaborated on the circus and revealed the plans of the Boy Scouts. Interesting films on the State of Idaho and Death Valley were shown. The films were loaned by the high school.

Herb Taylor and Derold Proehl awarded badges to the following boys: Charles Thomas, Franklin Thomas, Doug Eggert, Roger Hunt, Claude Derrie, Rap Loper, Dean Boyer, Jon Salquist, Lee Geo. Allen, Bobby Harbison — Bobcat pins; Robert Drippe, Ray Loper, Jim Nanson — Wolf badges; Donald Tunnell, Chester Odum, Jim Peters, Dave McAdams, Ken Peterson — Bear badges. Gold bear arrows were received by Jim Peters and Ken Peterson. Silver Bear arrows were received by Donald Tunnell, three to Ken Peterson and two by Dick O'Brien. Jimmie Peters also received his Lion badge and one gold and one silver arrow.

Committee meeting will be held March 21 at the Vernonia Auto Co. according to Jim Davies, Cubmaster.

To Lead Singing

People who enjoy the Community Sing are reminded that next Sunday afternoon is the time for the next session. It will be at 2:30 at the Christian church under the leadership of Fred Lundgren. Everyone is invited to attend this service in which all the churches take part.

Creek Log Jams Cleared by Crew

Work towards solving one problem that sportsmen have objected to in the past was carried out Monday and Tuesday of this week by a three-man crew of the Oregon state game commission.

The problem was that of log jams which have blocked passage of fish upstream in their area and which have also tended to cause problems of erosion.

The crew, headed by Walt Rickman, worked principally on Rock creek in clearing the jams near the Clint Seibert place. They also checked several other small streams in this area.

Vet Team Plays Last Game Thurs.

The final game of the 1949-50 basketball season is dated for fans for Thursday night of this week, March 2, according to Al Pierson, manager of the V.F.W. town team. The Vets also played last night when they met Jewell on the local floor.

Tonight's game brings the Forest Grove CIO team here to meet the locals. Before last night's game the Veterans had won 11 starts and lost seven this season.

Cancer Drive Chairmen Chosen

Captains in the various county communities were obtained Friday of last week to head the April campaign for funds and handle the cancer educational program for the coming year. Announcement of the names was made Tuesday by Mrs. Reatha Horn, county commander, who arranged for those who will handle the work. With Mrs. Horn was Mrs. E. E. Siegley, Portland, field representative of the American Cancer Society.

Columbia County's quota for the society drive has been tentatively set at \$1720 to be divided as follows: St. Helens, \$900; Clatskanie, \$200; Rainier, \$200; Vernonia, \$300 and Scappoose, \$150.

People who will carry on the work as captains are: Mrs. James Baillie, Clatskanie; Mrs. Vern Soley, Rainier; Mrs. Caesar Crossta, St. Helens and Mrs. Kramer, Scappoose. Captains will also be appointed for Delena, Mist, Warren, Deer Island and Vernonia Mrs. Horn said.

Services Read Wed.

Final rites for George B. Johnson were conducted at the Hudson cemetery near Rainier last Wednesday, February 22, following his death at the age of 86 years in Portland. He had been a long-time resident of this vicinity, having homesteaded and lived nearly all of his life at a farm on Pebble creek.