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Workmen for Drive Start RC Campaign

Preparation for Work Nearly Done At Wednesday Meet

Preparation for this year's Red Cross campaign was nearly completed Wednesday evening of last week when volunteers met at the West Oregon Electric office to select workers who will ask gifts from people in various areas of the valley. General chairman for the entire valley this year is George A. Remnant and working with him in preparing for the drive is Guy Thomas, county chapter chairman.

A quota of \$1500 has been established for the valley including Birkenfeld, Mist, Vernonia and to the Washington county line. IWA Local 5-37 and the Oregon-American Lumber corporation are cooperating in arranging for gifts the workmen make to the campaign. Official start of the drive was March 1 and it is scheduled to end March 15.

Volunteers Assigned

Workers who will ask Red Cross help and the areas they will cover are Mrs. Guy Bellingham and Mrs. Lawrence Jepson, Birkenfeld; Mrs. Robert Mathews, Mist; Glen Hawkins, Riverview and Stoney Point; Vernonia business district George Hahn and Kent Bauersfeld; Vernonia residential area, Mrs. Guy Thomas, Mrs. Gerry Rickle, Mrs. Charles Wall, Mrs. Harry Culbertson, Mrs. Ben Brickel and Mrs. Marvin Kamholz; and Treharne, Mrs. Mary Dripps.

Mr. Remnant indicated that letters asking support of the campaign would go to granges, lodges, associations and other organizations in the effort to achieve the quota.

Further evidence of the need is indicated by the work that the Red Cross has been asked to do, first for the civil defense effort and then in the fields of nursing, providing blood and plasma and in helping veterans.

Program Efficient

The Red Cross has been asked to train 20,000,000 persons in first aid, offer home nursing instruction to 1,000,000, train more than 100,000 nurse's aids and help prepare for emergency feeding, clothing and shelter by civil defense authorities.

From the standpoint of the blood program, whole blood and plasma flown across the Pacific directly to combat fronts in Korea have helped save the lives of thousands of wounded servicemen. So far the blood program has worked so efficiently that not one bottle has been wasted by being outdated.

Trained Red Cross workers not only help in veterans' hospitals and in claims work in VA offices, but in the veterans' home communities as well. Last year Red Cross workers assisted in an average of 138,300 cases and service requests from veterans and their dependents each month. Financial assistance from the Red Cross totaled \$2,814,300.

State Tax Men Schedule Visits

Representatives of the state tax commission will pay visits to two places in Columbia county during this month to give aid to those people who wish it in preparing their state income tax returns.

Tax assistance will be available at Rainier at the city hall March 12 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at St. Helens March 13 and 14 at the court house from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

The same help can be obtained at the Forest Grove city hall March 15 and 16 and the Hillsboro court house March 19 to 23 inclusive.

Safety Award Presented



PAUL E. GURSKE, chairman of the state industrial accident commission, right, presented the governor's safety award to Glen Hawkins, left, Friday night at the Columbia Tree Farm safety achievement dinner. Mr. Gurske complimented Tree Farm employees on their accomplishment of preventing a lost time accident during the two years from March, 1949 to March, 1951, indicating the achievement was unheard of before in the logging industry.

Service Pins Awarded



TWO five-year service pins were presented to Columbia Tree Farm employees last Friday night at the safety achievement dinner by E. P. Stamm, general logging manager of Crown Zellerbach corporation. Standing from left is Gordon Collard, Merle Cline and Mr. Stamm. The dinner, prepared by the Nehalem Social club, was served by Rainbow Girls to over 125 people who heard W. D. Walsh, CZ director of public relations, San Francisco, outline the complicated procedure of tree farming in supplying the raw product needed for paper making. (VE Photos and Engravings)

Steelhead Derby Ends Sunday

Sunday, March 11 is the final date of the V.F.W. steelhead derby and so far since the start a fish caught last Sunday by Andy Brimmer tops the list of catches at 18 pounds, four ounces. He made the catch in the Salmonberry.

For last week, the largest catch

was weighed in by Earl King at 10 pounds, eight ounces. Steelhead were also weighed in by Wilfred Holce and Brimmer, the former eight pounds, two ounces and the latter at seven pounds, 12 ounces.

All of last week's catches were made in the Nehalem.

Ceremony Read At Chapel Sat.

Final rites were performed for Margaret Matilda Brown at the Bush chapel Saturday, March 3 following her death here February 28. Commitment was at Forest View cemetery at Forest Grove following the services here.

Mrs. Brown was born March 22, 1869 at Amro, Wisconsin and passed away at the age of 81 years, 11 months and 6 days. Surviving are: a daughter, Margaret Walrath; a son, Roscoe Brown of Madison, Wisconsin; one brother, Thomas Peacock of Longpine, Nebraska; two grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Road Crew Men Work Long Hours

The men employed in the valley on the road district crew have worked long hours in plowing snow, according to word Wednesday morning that indicated they operated equipment almost 24 continuous hours at one time earlier this week.

The workmen, under the direction of Ben Smith, road foreman for this district, began plowing about nine o'clock Sunday night, worked all that night and all day Monday in order to have school bus roads open for traffic. The equipment used includes a grader and two trucks equipped with plows.

Fall of Snow To Wednesday Totals 41 In.

Ground Depth on Tuesday Morning Placed at 19 In.

This winter's snowfall, or spring snowfall, whichever most appropriately describes the late season storm, had reached a total of 41 inches up to 12 o'clock noon Wednesday. Official measurements have been taken regularly by Mrs. Helen Spofford, cooperative observer, and that is the total she has recorded since the first flakes came down last Thursday.

On the ground the depth stood at 19 inches Tuesday morning, that measurement indicating the depth after the snow had packed and after some melting had taken place.

Sidewalk and road clearing came into vogue as soon as the snow depth began to go up and has been a daily task so far during the week.

Moisture content of the 41 inches of fall amounted to 2.24 inches of water.

Mrs. Spofford's weather report for the month of February listed the minimum temperature at 21 degrees on February 27. The maximum reading was 58 degrees on February 9. During that month total precipitation amounted to 7.23 inches.

16 Boys Receive Badge Awards

Sixteen scouts of Vernonia scout troop 201 were awarded merit badges or rank advancements last Thursday evening at the district court of honor at the Washington school. In addition, scouts from two troops in Forest Grove also received awards.

Merit badges earned totaled 25 for the 16 boys and six rank advancements as well were made exclusive of the Eagle Scout award which went to Earl Ray. The boys and the merit badges each received were:

Chet Ray, civics, bookbinding, safety; Kenneth Nanson, scholarship, firemanship, public health; David Strong, plumbing, aeronautics, airplane structure; Kenneth Parker, parthfinding, angling, marksmanship; Kenneth Jacobs, bookbinding, reading; Roy Miner, reading, bookbinding; James (Pat) Lloyd, civics; Richard Kerns, safety, wood carving; Pete Norris, animal industry, reading, fingerprinting; Earl Ray animal industry, plumbing, electricity.

Rank advancement went to: Donald Cook, 2nd to 1st class; Bob Fulton, second to 1st class; Bob Carson, tenderfoot to 2nd class; J. Taylor, tenderfoot to 2nd class; Pat O'Brien, 2nd to 1st class. David Strong received his life badge which he had earned in 1949 but which had not been awarded due to an oversight of the scout committee.

Boys from troops 213 and 238, both at Forest Grove, also received awards at the court. Two boys from the first troop were given one merit badge each and six from the second were awarded 10 badges.

Town Baseball Club to Be Topic

Whether to or whether not to attempt the organization of a town baseball team will be the topic of a meeting that has been called for Friday night of this week.

Announcement of the meeting was made and at the same time a request was issued that people interested in the possibility be sure to be present and express their opinions.

The meeting is scheduled at 6:30 p.m., Legion hall, March 9.

Wins Badge



EARL RAY, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Ray, was awarded the Eagle badge of scouting last Thursday evening at the district scout court of honor at the Washington school. The presentation was made by his mother at the ceremony attended by about 200 people. He became a scout in March, 1948 and since that time has participated in paper drives, attended Camp Merriweather twice and been advanced to patrol leader and then to senior patrol leader. He participated in the merit badge show in 1950. Merit badges and rank advancements were also awarded at the court to members of the Vernonia troop and two troops from Forest Grove. The awards and the boys who received them are mentioned in a news story elsewhere in this issue of The Eagle. (VE Photo-Engraving)

Attendance at Meeting Zero

Attendance at the recreation leader training meeting scheduled at the Washington school Tuesday evening drew a blank as far as local people were concerned, according to a report Wednesday morning.

The meeting had been called so that instruction could be given on party games for older youth and adults. Present to give the instruction were Miss Jessalee Mallalieu, recreation specialist from Oregon State college, and Miss Frances L. Gallatin, county extension agent in home economics.

Two delegates from extension units active in this area were ill and unable to be present and delegates from other groups did not put in an appearance.

Board Talks Loans

The making of small loans was the principal topic of discussion Friday evening when the board of directors of the Vernonia Federal Credit Union met. Funds to make the loans are available, the board indicated, for people who need assistance.

Summer Street Work Topic Of Council

Police Work with Juveniles Draws Favorable Comment

Preparation for the work of graveling and paving city streets during the coming year was started Monday night by city councilmen when they ordered City Recorder Sam Hearing to place an order for gravel from the crusher being set up on the Apiary road so that the material would be on hand when it becomes possible to do the work.

Councilmen discussed the cost of the gravel and looked into the possibility of having enough money to pay for it. The money is available from the special highway fund and road district 16 and after that purchase is made the money remaining along with a turnover expected soon from the county treasurer will provide enough for summer paving work.

Street Work Planned

The streets in several parts of town will get attention, some of the work being repairs to streets already improved and some being new paving.

A new procedure being followed by city police has been successful in dealing with juveniles when they have been apprehended on minor charges. The police have ordered the youngsters to report to their parents the reason why they were apprehended and tell their parents to write back to the police that they have been so informed.

Two such letters were read to councilmen who were favorably impressed with the procedure. In neither case were the boys local residents. Police started the procedure to be sure parents are informed of the actions of their youngsters.

Dogs Bring Complaints

Several complaints of dogs running at large and creating a nuisance have been heard by councilmen and that topic was heard at the meeting. A city ordinance applying to dogs was read, but the council learned the difficulty of enforcing the regulation because the city has no pound. They were informed of regulations that must be abided by should dogs be impounded and the difficulty ended the discussion.

The final action of the evening was a favorable vote that writes off \$692.84 of delinquent water bills. The delinquent accounts are those of people who have moved to another locality or have died. The move was recommended by the auditor who recently examined city books.

Licenses Obtainable

A drivers license examiner will be in Vernonia Friday, March 16 at the city hall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to get in touch with the examiner that day.

Rainier, Scappoose Win Logger Tourney Games

The Vernonia Loggers dropped out of the district 14 basketball tournament Saturday night when they met their second defeat at the hands of Scappoose after leading the Indians all the way to the final minute. The tournament is a double elimination affair that requires a team to lose two games before dropping out of competition.

The Loggers played their first fray Thursday night against Rainier and lost that encounter 61-48. Their second game came Saturday night and the final spurt of the Indians gave them the lead in the 50-46 final score.

Both Rainier and St. Helens were undefeated up to Tuesday

night and were to play in the final action of the evening while Scappoose and Clatskanie met in the first game.

The Loggers held a six-point lead over Scappoose Saturday with three minutes left, but were unable to check the Indian's drive to win. The fatal last three minutes resulted when two Loggers left the court on fouls. Mills went out at three minutes and Crowston with two left, but they accounted for 12 points apiece for top individual scoring honors along with Patterson of Scappoose. Halftime score stood at 30 for Vernonia and 27 for Scappoose.