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West Conquers East in First League Jamboree Here

The West won over the east teams last Friday night in the first Lower Columbia league jamboree ever held here by the total game points of 102 to 83 in what provided basketball fans with a full evening of entertainment. Jamboree arrangements were under the supervision of Bill Vicek.

Best contest of the evening came at second game when the Loggers and Scappoose Indians

nearly tied at the end of their encounter. Scoring seesawed back and forth until the end when the Indians pulled into the lead by one point to win 21-20.

Not until the third game was the contest pretty much decided between the West and East teams. Hill Military, meeting Seaside, dropped behind 37 to 17 to give the West a sizeable lead. West teams were: Warrenton, Vernonia,

Seaside and Clatskanie and the East teams were: St. Helens, Scappoose, Rainier and Hill Military.

St. Helens defeated Warrenton 25 to 20 and Clatskanie won over Rainier by the same figures.

Attendance Friday is placed at between 1025 and 1050, more than were anticipated in advance, with the result that many stood to

view the affair. Players from the competing schools, totaling 80, and their coaches were introduced individually before team captains drew opponents and playing positions.

Financial outcome of the jamboree was not available up to yesterday because returns from ticket sales at the competing schools had not been received here.

THOSE WHO ARE IN IT . . .

Pvt. Kenneth Lindsley, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lindsley, is receiving his boot training at Camp San Luis Obispo, California. He was inducted into the army, leaving here November 10.

Sgt. Ralph E. Keasey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Keasey, is enroute home after 18 months in Korea. He served in the combat zone with the 44th Engineer Construction Battalion, a supporting element of the Eighth Army. Keasey entered the army in January, 1951.

Cpl. Lonnie Justice, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Justice, was married Tuesday at 2 p.m. to Miss Lorraine VanDomelen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Van Domelen, Portland, at Immaculate Heart church, 2926 N. Williams avenue. The corporal left here the latter part of October for Fort Bliss, Texas following a furlough after returning from Korea.

He returned here again December 1. After the ceremony Tuesday and a reception at the home of the bride's parents, the couple started the trip back to Fort Bliss where he is scheduled to report for duty the 15th of this month.

Calvin (Tick) Bass arrived here a few days ago from his former station near Knoxville, Tennessee where he had been since last May. He will be home until January 10 when he is scheduled to report to San Francisco from where he will be sent to Alaska. Mrs. Bass, who had been at Knoxville since September, will remain here when he returns to duty.

Preparation For Annual Program Made

Presentation to Be Made December 22 at Grade School

Students of both the grade and high school will appear in this year's Christmas program which is scheduled for presentation on the evening of December 22.

Title of the affair is "Song Over the World," a Christmas pageant by Valeria R. Lehman. Work on the program is being supervised by Mrs. Harry Sandon, who is in charge of arrangements for costumes and staging, and Miss Pauline Bristlin and Miss Lillian Peterson, grade and high school music instructors.

The pageant will be made up of students from the fifth to eighth grades. Children from the third and fourth grades will appear in the angel chorus and boys from the seventh and eighth grades in the boys' chorus. Another chorus of girls will be made up of students from the fifth to eighth grades.

The high school glee club and triple trio will present several numbers during the evening.

Board Approves More Payments

The union high school board, meeting Tuesday evening, authorized final payments to the electrical contractor and the plumbing and heating contractor for construction work on the new building, but still withheld final payment to the general contractor.

This action in withholding the general contract payment revolves around the locker problem of which the district refuses to accept the present locks. The lock problem will probably be solved December 15 when the Metalcraft company of Olympia is supposed to install a different type lock which will conform with contract specifications.

Indication that final payment may still be held up even after the locks are changed came from the board because the district has received a bill for merchandise from Chown Hardware, Portland, which was ordered by the general contractor but for which payment has not been made. A similar situation has developed with an eastern firm and until these matters are straightened out satisfactorily the contractor will probably not receive the final 10 per cent of the contract amount.

Superintendent Eugene Dove told the board that all field lighting equipment has now been delivered so the board allowed payment for the material to Westinghouse and also approved payment to West Oregon Electric which supplied two priority transformers needed for the field installation. Approximate cost for the lights is \$7,000.

The clerk of the district, Mrs. Mona Gordon, was instructed to request an explanation from Warne Empey, high school superintendent here last year, of variations in the high school student body funds so that a deficit that now appears can be clarified.

The auditorium stage is now supplied with basic tracks and bars above for the back and side drops and with the protective buffer screen and tracks, the board was informed. Total cost of this equipment amounted to \$1080 and no further installations on the stage will be made until after the budget is adopted for the coming fiscal year.

Report Cards Out

Report cards were issued Wednesday to Vernonia high school students after the completion of work of the second six-week period this year.



RANDOM shots at the Lower Columbia League jamboree last Friday caught these Vernonia and Scappoose players in action at the evening affair. At left: Bill Braun, Logger guard, casts off for an attempted basket; center: Bill MacDonald, Logger, and Clarence Hogen, Scappoose Indian, reach for a jump ball tip while at the right Bob Powell, Logger forward tries for a field goal. Public address system announcing was done by Lew Choate and Jim Davies through a rangelments made between the school and the Lions club.

HOURS AT POST OFFICE LONGER

Patrons of the Vernonia post office will have available to them more hours during which to patronize the mail service from now until Christmas, Emil Messing, postmaster, said Monday.

As of the first of this week the post office windows will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day, Saturday included, until the holiday. First class mailing of Christmas cards is suggested as well as early mailing to insure delivery before December 25.

By using three-cent postage, letters can be forwarded or returned to the sender if not deliverable, a service that does not apply to letters left unsealed and mailed for two cents.

This year's mailing rush has already started at the office.

School Census Total Lists 848

The annual school census, which was completed for this area the latter part of October, lists a total of 848 youngsters and teenagers between the ages of 4 and 19 years inclusive. This total resulted from the canvass made by Mrs. Art Nanson, who compiled the figures and turned them over to R. M. Aldrich, district 47 clerk.

Of the total, 464 are boys and 384 are girls. Mrs. Nanson found that all homes outside city limits were occupied as she made the canvass and that families in most of these homes had children within the age limits. However, there were vacant places within the Vernonia city limits and many homes occupied were lived in by elderly people who had no children of school age.

The census provides a basis for the district in planning attendance for the coming school year.

Condit to Remain with District to End of Term

E. H. Condit, who accepted the job recently to fill the superintendent position for district 47, agreed Tuesday evening to continue in his present capacity until the end of the current school year. That decision was made at a meeting of the board of directors.

When he accepted the superintendent post a short time ago, he agreed to remain to the first of the coming year, but difficulty in employing a new superintendent led to his decision earlier this week to remain longer.

The district board examined the credentials of 10 men who have applied for the grade school post, but decided against making a selection at that time. The board holds the opinion that men with experience to handle the job are now employed, hence would not be available to step into this superintendent job in the middle of the teaching year.

The board recommended that the man to be employed, when a selection is made, have at least two years experience in a supervisory capacity.

The hot lunch program came up for discussion after examination of figures showing that \$1408 was taken in last month while the cost of supplies to provide the meals totaled \$1337. No change will be made in the charge of 20 cents per meal on a weekly basis, as is now charged.

The board confirmed the date of December 22 for the annual Christmas program. Students will go to school the following day, the 23rd, for individual class Christmas parties and school will be dismissed early in the afternoon for the holidays. Classes will resume again Monday, January 5.

District 47 board members and the union high school board may get together on disposition of the heating system boiler formerly used at the old high school.

The high school wishes to dispose of the boiler and the grade school is in need of an additional boiler to handle satisfactorily the heating of the Washington school.

Loggers Bounce Knappa Tuesday

By Joe Taylor

Coming back strong in the second half, Vernonia won its first game of the season Tuesday night by defeating Knappa 51 to 39. Just barely leading 22 to 18 at the half, the Loggers came back with 12 points in the third quarter and 17 in the last.

Rich Perkins of Knappa was high for the game with 16 and Bill MacDonald of the Loggers was second with 15.

Vernonia	Knappa
Gill 9	F Elliot 3
Crowston 7	F Kumpala 11
MacDonald 15	C Kelly 1
Nanson 9	G Perkins 16
Braun 9	G Puckett 0

Shaw to Speak Monday

Claude Shaw will speak to P.T.A. members next Monday at their December meeting on the subject of traffic safety, according to an announcement Wednesday. The association will also hear details of a bike safety program from Sid Sorensen and discuss the proposed purchases of physical test equipment for the driver training program.

Attack Suffered

Elmer Green, owner of Green's Shoe shop, was stricken by a heart attack early this week at the shop and was not found until Wednesday when entrance to the back of the store was gained and he was removed for medical attention. He is being cared for now at the J. R. Lee home.

Vets to Occupy Building Soon

The Veterans of Foreign Wars building, the erection of which was started several years ago by Smith-Christensen post, is nearly ready for use for post meetings. Commander Mike Anderson announced Wednesday.

Principal job remaining to be completed is the ceiling, he said, and if that work can go forward as planned, the post should be able to use the hall by the first of the year.

He also mentioned that, because of a district meeting at Clatskanie Friday and the Christmas holiday, only one meeting will take place this month. This session is scheduled for December 19.

Members of the V.F.W. Auxiliary assembled Wednesday afternoon at the IWA hall for a kitchen shower to help furnish the kitchen of the new hall.

Girls Sponsor Dance

The Girls League of the high school is sponsoring a formal Christmas Ball to be held Saturday, December 20 at the high school auditorium from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. The prices are \$1.00 single, and \$1.50 couple. A band from Portland will provide the music. There will be no guest list and no invitations will be sent. All friends of the school are invited.

Examiner Scheduled

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Vernonia Friday, December 19, at the city hall between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Persons wishing original licenses or permits to drive are asked to file applications well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure time for completion of the required license tests.

'Coffees' Aid Building Fund

The Vernonia Study club library committee which instigated a series of coffee hours a few weeks ago, has reported the sum of \$40 which will be added to money which will eventually be used for the structure. A report of the progress so far on the current project was made Wednesday morning by Mrs. J. W. Nichols, chairman of the committee.

Mrs. Nichols pointed out that the coffees can be continued after the first of next year, if desired, thereby postponing them to follow the Christmas season.

Coffees have been given so far by Mesdames Evelyn Heath, Ben Brickel, A. F. Swanson, Don Campbell, Judd Greenman, Bob Lindsay, Mathilda Bergerson, Glen Hawkins, Dan Cason, Guy Thomas, W. A. Davis, Clarence Nance, Lloyd Callister, Irma Chance, Sam Hearing, Jr., Frances Mullins, Emil Messing, Darold Proehl and Marvin Kamholz.

Class Undertakes Safety Program

Students of this year's high school driver training class have undertaken a safety project that will place displays in 12 Vernonia store windows from now until January 1 during the worst driving month of the year from the standpoint of traffic accidents.

Announcement of the project was made earlier this week by Sid Sorensen, class instructor. Students in the class have been grouped in twos and the groups are preparing displays depicting various phases of safe driving to show situations from which accidents can result.

The projects are to be judged and free show passes awarded the winners. Stores to display the projects are: Bush Furniture, Sundland's, Brunsmann Hardware, Mill Market and Lockers, Nehalem Market and Grocery, Miller's, Vernonia Bakery, Safeway, Schaumburg's, Hahn Hardware, Sam's Food Store and Nance's.