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## Lions Sponsor Candidate for Derby Queen

Barbara Howard one Of Six Contestants For Annual Event

With the Lions club as sponsor, Miss Barbara Howard will be one of the six contestants who will seek this year's honor of becoming queen of the St. Helens salmon derby which is scheduled to run from April 11 through 30.

Announcement of the sponsorship and Miss Howard as candidate was made early this week after the club acted in deciding to back a candidate. This is the first year Vernonia has participated in the St. Helens derby.

Miss Howard, 18, was born at Santa Marie, California November 15, 1934 and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Howard of Pittsburg.

She graduated from Vernonia high school last year and intends to enroll at Pacific university this fall. While in high school she was active in chorus and operetta, was assistant editor of the Memorial and feature editor of The Timberline. She was a member of the Pep club and served as treasurer of the Thespian society.

Other county princesses are Marjorie Reed, 16, St. Helens; Mona Rene Brower, 17, Rainier; Velma Lou Howard, 20, St. Helens; Nancy Seline, 17, Scappoose and Carolyn Christoferson, 19, St. Helens.

Tickets are sold in the name of one of the candidates and will count 50 points in selection of the winner. Twenty points will be allotted for talent, 10 for beauty of face and figure, 10 for cooperation and attitude and 10 points for poise and personality.

## Finish Work for Dorm Intended

An effort will be made to finish putting the siding on the youth dormitory at the county fairgrounds during the work day to be held on Saturday, March 14, states Mrs. Alta Janes, president of the Columbia county 4-H leaders association.

All persons who attend the work day are requested to bring a hammer. Some saws will also be needed.

Construction of the building was started just one year ago. Although it was not possible to get the building entirely completed before the 1952 county fair, it was far enough along for the 62 boys and girls to sleep in during the fair. When filled to capacity, the dormitory will hold 122 4-H and FFA members.

During the past year money received from the sale of scrap paper and cash contributions from Granges, individuals, 4-H clubs and other organizations totaled \$1,190.00. In addition, most of the lumber was donated by mills throughout the county. Also donated were nails, wash room fixtures, hauling and all the labor except for the plumbing. The concrete floor was poured by the Columbia county fair board.

## Classes Resume After Shut Down

Vernonia elementary and high school classes resumed Thursday of last week after a closure extending through Wednesday because of the prevalence of flu in the community.

Classes were held with reduced numbers both Thursday and Friday, many students and some members of the faculties being ill. At the high school absentees for Thursday were 112, Friday 90 and Monday 20. Monday enrollment was normal and all teachers had returned to their duties in the elementary schools.



BARBARA HOWARD, Vernonia Queen Candidate

## Loggers Start Baseball League to Start Soon

Thoughts of baseball are already occupying the minds of the Loggers who have already spent over a week in preliminary work, some indoors and some out depending on the weather. Five prospective hurlers have been limbering up under the tutelage of Coach Bill Vlcek with both Bill Higley and Don Wantland in the receiving spots.

Four Loggers who have seen action on the mound in previous years will have to prove their worth against Darrell Fluke, Freshman who is showing fair control and who probably will see considerable action during the season. Regular hurlers out include Bob Powell, Homer Fuller, Rick Fulton and Dick Gwin.

So far outside practices have been hindered considerably by the fact that poles for the field lighting still remain on the ground. The poles make it impossible to lay out the new diamond.

Lower Columbia league play will open officially April 3 when St. Helens makes the trip over the mountain to be entertained by the Loggers. However, a pre-season game may be arranged.

This year's league play may become somewhat complicated because the playoff for the two divisions, the Lower Columbia and Mid-Columbia leagues must take place before May 16 which date is before the end of the

## Elected to Post

Mary Tapp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tapp, was recently elected vice-president of the Pine's, women's co-resident house at Oregon State college, Corvallis. The Pines is one of four women's co-resident houses at OSC. The women share all housework responsibilities except meal preparation. Miss Tapp is a freshman in business and technology.

## Word of Death Received

Mrs. Silvia Turner received word Saturday morning that her mother, Mrs. Dolly Jones, passed away Friday evening at Central City, Nebraska. Services were held there Tuesday of this week. Mrs. Jones will be remembered by a number of people here, having made her home with Mrs. Turner for several years.

## Grade Board Rehires Staff Tuesday Night

Resignations of Four Accepted at March Meeting

School District 47's board of directors acted to accept the resignations of four teachers when they met Tuesday evening and rehired teachers for the coming school year. One of the resignations becomes effective March 13, Friday of this week.

W. F. MacDonald submitted his resignation to accept a position with the state industrial accident commission and the board accepted it effective Friday. He will begin his duties with the commission Monday of next week.

James Johns will assume the position of industrial arts and physical education instructor left vacant by Mr. MacDonald and Mrs. Grace Cantwell has been hired for the balance of the school year for the 7th grade position left vacant by Mr. Johns.

Other resignations accepted Tuesday were those of Miss Pauline Bristlin, Mrs. Dorothy Watson and Mrs. Coele Cantril. Two other teachers, Mrs. Lulah Fullerton and Mrs. Ruby Reese Powell, will retire at the end of the present term.

Another decision of the board was to set aside Monday, March 16 for spring vacation so that those teachers so desiring may attend the annual convention of the Oregon Education association. The high school will close for both Monday and Tuesday of next week so those teachers may attend both days of the convention if they choose. The two-day closure conforms with a statewide plan generally followed by the schools in closing for the convention.

The coming fiscal year's budget for district 47 was adopted at the board meeting which was also the annual meeting of the district.

## Ambulance Men To Meet Friday

The 31-man committee of men from IWA Local 5-37 and the community are scheduled to meet Friday evening of this week at the union hall. The order of business at that time will be consideration of a proposed set of bylaws governing control of the community ambulance.

The proposed regulations have been drawn up by Wm. Babcock, Jr., Portland attorney who is handling the legal work of preparing for the incorporation of the ambulance.



A TOTAL of 231 years is represented by the two brothers and their sister who were together last Friday when the funeral of Mrs. Ethel DePue was conducted. From the left they are: Mason DePue, 81 years of age, of Charlott's, Michigan. Mrs. Millie Smith, 73, from Portland and Bert DePue, 77. Mason and Bert had not seen each other for 55 years. The former resides near the original DePue home in Michigan.

## THOSE WHO ARE IN IT . . .

Second Lt. Lloyd G. Gardner, MSC, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gardner, owners of the Hy-Van hotel, is at medical field service school located at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to attend a four-weeks orientation course in military medical service. The class is made up of officers recently called to duty in the medical corps, dental corps, veterinary corps and medical service corps.

The orientation course stresses medical service in war. Subjects include clinical procedures in war injury, essentials of treatment for combat exhausted and preventive medicine measures detecting health hazards and avoiding epidemics.

Medical field service school is the world's largest military medical school directing resident and extension training for officers and enlisted personnel of the armed forces.

S/Sgt. Roy H. Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Frank will return this week end to the United States for a new assignment following a two-year tour of duty with the U. S. Air Force in the Philippines.

Scheduled to arrive in San Francisco about Friday aboard the USNS "Fred C. Ainsworth," Sergeant Frank will assume new duties with the 3275th Air Force Indocentrion Wing at Parks Air Force Base, California.

While in the Philippines, he performed personal equipment technician duties for the 6200th Air Base Group, Thirteenth Air Force at Clark Air Force Base, 60 miles north of Manila. He was graduated from Vernonia high school and worked for the Vernonia Eagle prior to joining the military service in September of 1950. He departed for assignment in the Philippines March of 1951 after completing supply technical school at Lowry Air Base, Colorado.

Leonard C. Roland, AK3, left for Alameda, California Saturday. He will be stationed there. He spent a 30-day leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Roland. This is the first time he has been home since entering the service two and a half years ago. He spent two years with the navy airforce in the Philippines.

## Scouts Ask Orders

Vernonia Girl Scouts will be active during the next few days with their annual cookie sale. A house-to-house canvass of this area will be made to take orders and delivery of the cookies is expected to take place within two weeks.

## Bid Accepted For Sale of Old School

High School Board Considers Eight Propositions Tuesday

A problem that has been facing the board of directors of the Union High School district since the decision was made to construct a new high school plant was settled Tuesday evening by the acceptance of an offer for the old property.

At the Tuesday evening session, eight bids were opened and considered in complying with a call for sealed proposals as advertised the latter part of last month.

The district accepted the proposal submitted by Harry Culbertson for the entire property including lots 1 to 10 in block 8 and lots 5 and 6 in block 9, all in Eastside addition to Vernonia.

The amount of his bid was \$5250. Reserved by the district is the heating boiler and some furniture remaining in the high school. Mr. Culbertson indicated to the board that he planned to tear down the buildings now standing and construct homes on the property.

The board considered and accepted the resignations submitted by three teachers who indicated they had other plans for the coming year. They are Louis Graven and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Raines.

## PTA to Sponsor Blood Unit Visit

Vernonia P.T.A. members are being notified this week that they will meet for their March session on the 23rd, the fourth Monday, according to Mrs. Byron Kirkbride, president. The program at that time will concern the subject of health and will include a report on the county program along with questions and answers.

Scheduled to be present at that time is the county health nurse, Miss Grace Roumagoux. Part of the evening will also be devoted to the showing of films being sent out by the Red Cross chapter concerning the blood program. The P.T.A. will arrange for the visit of the bloodmobile here later this year.

Other business to come before the group will be the election of a nominating committee and of a delegate to the state convention in April. This meeting will begin at 8 o'clock at the high school.

## Junior to Enter Speech Contest

June Cunningham, 17-year-old Junior at Vernonia high school, will be the local Odd Fellow-Rebekah entrant in the public speaking contest to be held Saturday evening at the high school auditorium. She will compete against representatives from six other high schools in Clatsop and Columbia counties.

This will be the final contest to determine who shall be the delegate from this district to the United Nations Tour for Youth. This is an international project sponsored by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F. with the cooperation of the United Nations.

There will be 12 or 14 delegates from Oregon high schools; 149 from the entire Pacific Northwest, including British Columbia.

## Society to Meet

The Columbia County Historical Society will meet Tuesday, March 17 at the Winema Grange hall at Birkenfeld. History of the Birkenfeld area will be featured at that time. There will be a pot-luck dinner at noon, followed by the business meeting and program.