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## Three Win Trophies at Annual 4-H Achievement Day Program Saturday

Four-H club work in the Nehalem Valley was on display at the American Legion hall in Vernonia Saturday, May 16, as club members from Vernonia, Mist, and Birkenfeld displayed exhibits and took part in a number of contests. The total attendance was estimated at 175.

Bertie Lu Ashley, Mist, and Jerol Moran and Byron Hawkins, Vernonia, each won trophies for being outstanding in their divisions. Scoring for the cups was based on the exhibit, record book, demonstration, judging and identification contest, and showmanship.

Bertie Lu Ashley won the home economics cup presented by Nehalem Dairy. The livestock cup, awarded by the Vernonia Trading Company, was presented to Jerol Moran. Byron Hawkins received the forestry cup which was sponsored by the Vernonia Branch, Commercial Bank of Oregon.

A show halter for the champion dairy showman was presented to Ronald Andregg, Vernonia, by the Vernonia Trading Company. Jerol Moran received a show halter presented by the Tucker Leather Goods Company, Portland, to the champion beef showman.

The home economics judging contest was won by Loretta Mills, Birkenfeld. Other placings were Bertie Lu Ashley, 2nd; Bonnie Kyser, Mist, 3rd; Donna Savage, Vernonia, 4th and Lucille Mills, Birkenfeld, 5th.

Byron Hawkins placed 1st in the forestry identification contest. He was followed by Larry Hickman, Vernonia 2nd; and Owen Enevoldson, Vernonia and Glen Hawkins, Vernonia, who were tied for third.

First place in the crops and weeds judging and identification contest was won by Judy Hanson, Clatskanie. Other placings were: Joanne Johnson, Clatskanie, 2nd; Sammy Baker, Birkenfeld, and Jerol Moran, tie for 3rd; Robert Bates, Vernonia, 4th; and Vaden Hurst, Clatskanie, 5th.

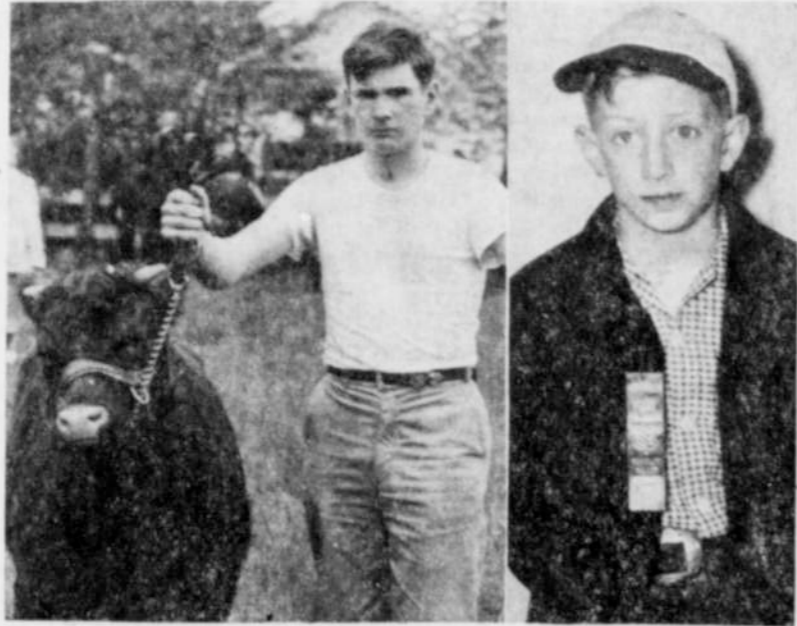
Teams winning blue awards in the demonstration contest were: Bonnie Kyser and Evelyn Kyser, Mist; Rosemary Patterson and Judy Strong, Vernonia and Delores Wilson and Bertie Lu Ashley, Mist.

Red awards were received by Joyce Sullivan and Carolyn Heath, Vernonia; Susan Koch and Donna Savage, Vernonia and Violet Brisset and Myrtle Parrish, Vernonia.

Teams receiving white awards were Mary Mills and Judy Cantwell, Vernonia; Roberta Lloyd and Connie McKenney, Vernonia and Larry Hickman and Owen Enevoldson, Vernonia.

In dairy showmanship, the placings were as follows: Ronald Andregg, 1st; Donna Buckley, 2nd; Margaret Buckley, 3rd; and Robert Bates, 4th. All are from Vernonia.

The senior beef showmanship



ABOVE ARE two of the three trophy winners at last Saturday's 4-H day. Jerol Moran, left, won the livestock cup and Byron Hawkins, right, the forestry cup. Bertie Lu Ashley, Mist, not pictured, was awarded the top place in home economics work.

results were: Jerol Moran, 1st; Sammy Baker, Birkenfeld, 2nd; Clinton Baker, Birkenfeld, 3rd; and Douglas Bellingham, Birkenfeld, 4th.

Those placing in the junior beef showmanship were Edgar Berg, 1st; Walter Berg 2nd; Louie Jones 3rd and Larry Jones, 4th. All are from Birkenfeld.

Ribbons in the forestry exhibit boards were as follows: blue awards, Byron Hawkins; red award, Larry Hickman and Glen Hawkins; and white award, Owen Enevoldson.

In the home economics exhibits the following won blue awards: Sherry Roediger, Myrtle Parrish,

Carolyn Garlock, Bertie Lu Ashley, Esther Kyser, Helen Mills, Joyce Sullivan, Carolyn Heath and Evelyn Kyser.

Those receiving red awards were: Ella May Kyser, Judy Cantwell, Stella Woolsey, Delores Wilson, Patty McEntire, Mary Lamping, Glenda Robertson, Roberta Lloyd, Susan Koch, Margie Kyser, Karen Jensen, Lauretta Lamping, Enola Hicks, Geneva Sullivan and Loretta Mills.

White awards were won by: Melva Barrett, Judy Strong, Violet Brisset, Connie McKenney, Lucille Mills, Donnie Pearson, Bonnie Kyser, Kathleen Haddican, Cora Jean Knoedler, Billy Knoedler and Opal Knoedler.

Persons serving as judges during the day included Bill Sawyer, St. Helens, showmanship; Burrell Birch, Vernonia, forestry exhibits; Mrs. Marie Raines, and Mrs. James Smith both of Vernonia, home economics exhibits; Mrs. Ed Tapp and Mrs. Byron Kirkbride, both of Vernonia, home economics record books; Ken Beeson, Clatskanie, livestock record books and Miss Frances Gallatin, county extension agent, demonstrations.

Home extension units which helped with the noon meal included the Timber unit, Vernonia unit, Mist-Nehalem unit and Keassey unit.

Ice cream was donated by the Lower Columbia Dairy Co-op association. Money from the sale of the ice cream was used to pay for the ribbons awarded during the day.

## Closing Events Due for Students

Vernonia high school students will have a full schedule to meet during the next few days to complete the remainder of the present school term. Scheduled this evening is the annual senior banquet, which is being prepared again by the Legion Auxiliary.

Senior students will practice for their baccalaureate and commencement programs Friday afternoon of this week and will also publish The Timberline, high school newspaper, Friday. The seniors will not have classes next week.

Other high school students will take their final exams Wednesday and Thursday of next week and will return to school Friday, May 29, to check in lockers, receive final grades and cards in the morning and pre-register for next year's classes in the afternoon.

High school teachers only will return to school Monday, June 1, to complete records, inventory supplies and plan for next year's work.

## Former Resident Taken by Death

Paul G. Fetsch of Springfield, formerly a resident of Vernonia and employee of the Oregon-American, passed away Wednesday, May 13, at the age of 67 years. He came to Vernonia in 1926 and made his home here until moving to Springfield in 1947. He was head filer while employed here.

The deceased was born at Rib Falls, Wisconsin April 15, 1886. He married Katherine Stock at Cass Lake, Minnesota November 4, 1908. Surviving are: his wife of Springfield; a daughter, Mrs. Leo Hanson of Sweet Home; son, Ronald, Eugene; granddaughter, Karla Hanson of Sweet Home; three brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services were conducted at Springfield Saturday.

## Speaks to Graduates

For the eighth grade graduation exercises at Mist yesterday evening, Eugene Dove, high school superintendent, was the principal speaker. The program at Mist was conducted for the graduating students of both the Mist and Birkenfeld districts. He will also speak to the Washington eighth grade class Monday of next week.

## Race Cars to Open Season Next Sunday

### Top Race Names to Appear on Billing At Fairground Track

Some of the Pacific Northwest's top names in racing will roll their hardtops on the Columbia County Fairgrounds half mile track Sunday, May 24, in the season's opening race for this area.

A field of at least 30 cars will be on hand for the opening event. Heading the field Sunday will be Clarence Smith, Vancouver, 1951 and 1952 Pacific Northwest hard top champion who uses a Lincoln motor.

Bob Porter, Salem, runner-up to Smith last year, Dick Gaboury, Portland; Don Guth, Vancouver, are other top flight racers.

### TOP DRIVERS TO RACE

Columbia county's Walt Waldron, St. Helens, has a new hardtop and in previous performances in early races this year has shown he will drive with the best of the field. Wild Bill Hyde, who returned recently from driving big cars in races at Reno, Nevada; Larry Garner, Salem, and Stan Dietz, Portland are others rated among the drivers to watch.

Dick Braniff, Vancouver, who has a new Hudson Hornet installed in his hardtop with a specially built cam rates as having one of the hottest cars in the race and should rank among the leaders.

Points gained in races at the Deer Island track, go toward determination of the Pacific Northwest hardtop racing championship and the local races are sanctioned by the Oregon-Washington Motor Racing Contest board.

### ENGINE CHANGED

Hardtop rules permit drivers and owners to make any inside engine improvements they wish in efforts to soup up the cars to top racing speed with a 300 cubic inch displacement as a maximum.

Hard tops have bodies up to 1942 design and usually have 1952 or 1953 engines mounted in them.

Many of the drivers due for the fairgrounds inaugural have been racing on tracks throughout Oregon and Washington at the Aurora and Seat-Tra speedways in Seattle, the Portland Speedway, the Hollywood Bowl at Salem and on tracks in Eugene and Roseburg.

A match race between Waldron with his GMC powered car and Wild Bill Hyde with his Mercury powered job will open Sunday's program which will feature nine events.

### COMMITTEE CHOSEN

A 35 lap class "A" main event, trophy dashes for both A and B cars and four heat races and a "B" main event will also be included on the program.

Time trials begin at 1:30 p.m. to determine starting position for class A and B cars and races will get underway at 2:30 p.m.

Dick Howell, "Frenchy" DuBois and Art Steele have been asked by the fairboard to serve as the racing committee to work with the fair board.

### Sale Due Two Days

Local people will be asked to patronize the annual sale of poppies, scheduled to take place on the streets this week end. The sale will be carried on for two days, Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23. Revenue from the sale of the flowers will go to help disabled veterans.

### To Enforce Parking

Strict enforcement of the parking time limits on Bridge street are intended by city police in the future, they indicated earlier this week. The restriction calls for one-hour parking in the business section of Bridge street with the exception of five-minute parking close to the post office.

## THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

Army Private Kenneth H. West of Vernonia, graduated with fellow members of his company as they completed basic infantry training May 8 at Camp Roberts, California.

The Private was a member of Company C, 31st AAA-AW Battalion, of the 7th Armored Division. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. West.

During the 16-week course, the soldier learned the duties of an infantryman in combat. The use of basic infantry weapons was particularly stressed. Private West also went through training maneuvers involving actual small arms and overhead artillery fire.

Airman 1/c Jack Gatts left last Thursday for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey after a 30-day leave spent here with his family. He will go from Camp Kilmer to a base in the Northeast Air Command.

Lonnis Justice, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Justice, has been promoted to sergeant in the headquarters personnel section at Fort Bliss, Texas. He is scheduled to receive his discharge October 9.

## Rural District Budget Adopted

A vote of 24 in favor to one against gave approval to exceeding the six per cent limitation of the rural school district of the county Monday when voters of district 47 cast their ballots at the Washington school. The rural district budget calls for a tax levy of \$14,747.98 above the limit.

The board of district 47 also met Monday evening and concurred with the high school on the opening of school this coming fall on the date of August 31.

A change in the procedure this year that the Washington school will follow calls for an assembly this Friday at which time special awards will be handed students. These have been a part of the graduation program before. Sixth grade students will present plays also at the assembly.

The grade school classes will end Friday, May 29.

## Ambulance Makes First Service Calls

### Interior Finishing Work Nearly Done; Incorporation Due

The community ambulance was placed in use last week for the first time when it was occupied by E. J. Barnes, who was taken to the Seaside hospital Saturday afternoon, May 16, for treatment for a broken leg. He had been staying at the Dudley Spofford home since April 28 when he fell and sustained the break.

The second ambulance call came Monday afternoon when Mrs. Lou Cates was taken to the Portland Sanitarium.

Incorporation papers for the ambulance have been received here, according to Jim Cox, Jr., IWA business agent, and the executive committee set up to handle ambulance business will be called together soon to finish the work necessary to getting the corporation formed.

This committee will also arrange for ambulance driver training classes and set up a fee schedule for use of the vehicle by people who do not have medical insurance that provides for ambulance travel. The committee still welcomes donations to the ambulance fund.

Some work still remains on the interior of the vehicle before it will be fully complete. One cabinet and linoleum is yet to be installed.

## Last Rites Read For J. T. Brady

Funeral services for James T. Brady, formerly of Vernonia, were held Monday, May 11, at Yakima, Washington. He was born March 20, 1875.

Surviving are: a daughter, Edith Young, of Longview; four sons, Jerome and Donald of Eugene, Earl of Sweet Home and Dane of Vernonia; 13 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

## 50-Year Membership Pin Presented Lodge Member



LEFT TO right: Smith Taylor, Frank E. Taylor and Glen Hawkins.

Frank E. Taylor was honored May 14 for his 50 years of membership in the Masonic Lodge by the presentation at his home here of a 50-year jewel from the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of Oregon. The presentation was made by Glen F. Hawkins, District Deputy of the Grand Master, and was witnessed by 28 members of Vernonia and other Lodges and by members and friends of the family. Mr. Taylor is a charter member of Liberty Lodge No. 171 of Springfield and a former sheriff of Lane county. He has been retired for several years, but

had been active in fraternal circles and in Columbia county republican central committee affairs until the state of his health prohibited.

Among out-of-town visitors for the occasion were Mr. Taylor's brother, Smith Taylor, of McKinzie Bridge, a cousin, Ralph Buck, of Eugene and a nephew, Giles Fowler, and Mrs. Fowler of Aumsville. Another interested spectator was C. F. Hieber who had already received a 50-year emblem from his home jurisdiction of Minnesota.

## Tree Falling Viewed at Farm Forestry Program



RON MCDONALD, Vernonia, demonstrates the use of a chain saw in falling one of two trees where they are grown together. McDonald also demonstrated the method of falling trees to minimize damage to adjacent trees. The program was planned by the Columbia county farm forestry committee.