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Voters Give Approval to Sewer Project

Bids for Bonds to Be Asked Soon to Finance New Work

Last Friday's special election on the proposed sewer system project for Corey hill resulted in balloting that tallied 115 votes in favor and 27 against to decide the question and give the city council approval to carry out the new installation.

The strong vote favoring the sewers came as a considerable surprise to many who thought before the election that greater opposition would develop.

City councilmen met in special session Monday evening to take further steps necessary to call for bond bids and discuss the engineering work with S. A. Ross of the firm of N. W. Haner and Associates.

Word from City Attorney Carol Bradley indicated that the call for bids on the bonds can be made after the next council meeting scheduled for next Monday evening. Until the bonds are sold it is unlikely that the remaining work to engineer the project will be started.

"When the sale of bonds is made, the engineering will be started and should be completed within 30 days Ross informed the council. With specifications available for the job, construction bids will then be asked and installation started as soon as possible thereafter.

In the meantime the engineer has been asked to submit an agreement for his part of the work setting forth the price that he will charge for preparing specifications and for supervision during installation.

Only other matter of business Monday was an order by the council that heavy trucks avoid using city streets during hot weather when damage to pavement results. City police have been asked to keep close check on truck use of the streets at such times.

Peepees, Cubs Invited

The Vernonia PeeWees will meet the Irving Tigers and the Cubs play the Centenary Wilburs, both of Portland, at an invitational game at Jantzen Beach Saturday, July 25. The PeeWees play at 1:00 and the Cubs at 3:00.

Regulations for Payment Of Social Security Told

NOTE: This, the fourth in a series of short articles, was prepared by Ev Cummins of the Portland Social Security office.)

When you reach age 65 and have retired, you and certain members of your family may become eligible for monthly insurance payments if you are insured. After you reach age 75, the payments may be made even if you have not retired.

Retirement under the social security law is determined by the amount of monthly earnings or monthly average income from self-employment. An individual 65 to 75 may draw benefits if he is insured and is no longer working for wages of over \$75 per month in covered employment or averaging over \$75 a month net income from his business.

In the event of your death at any age, certain members of your family may receive insurance payments if you had an insured status at the time of death. It should be emphasized that in all cases before any payment can be made, an application must be filed with the social security administration in a certain prescribed manner. One of the main functions of the many social security field offices is the taking of these applications.

The following two tables show the different types of payments

Sunday Races Scheduled Again at Fairgrounds

Those speed-packed hardtops roar again Sunday, July 19 at the Columbia county fairgrounds at Deer Island in another race program staged under the sanction of the Modified Racing Association of Oregon.

At least 30 of the Northwest's top drivers are scheduled to roll in Sunday's program that will see them in quest of points towards the association's driving championship.

Clarence Smith, the defending

Game Tickets Available Now

Tickets are now on sale for a double header at Beaver Stadium for Friday night, July 31, when the Portland Beavers will play Seattle. Reserved seats in Section 12 at \$1.50 each are available at the following locations:

The Commercial Bank of Oregon, Vernonia Drug and Hahn Hardware.

Children under 13 may purchase these reserved seat tickets for only 25 cents, but those tickets are available only at The Commercial Bank of Oregon and each youngster must be accompanied by an adult.

Vernonia night can be highly successful if enough people take advantage of the ticket sale so that a large delegation is present for the July 31 game.

County to Host Forestry Group

Columbia county will play host to 4-H forestry club members from a number of counties in Northwestern Oregon at a 4-H district forestry camp to be held at Camp Wilkerson on July 20-22.

Paul Goodmonson, forestry marketing specialist, and Andy Lanforce, extension wildlife management specialist, both of Oregon state college, are in charge of the program.

The program, which is being planned for older 4-H forestry club members, will include timber cruising, tree farming, pacing, use of the compass, aquatic life, animal life, a bird hike, casting practice, gun sighting and a tour of the Oregon American mill here.

This is the third year this camp has been held. It has been in Tillamook county the past two years.

champion and currently top point winner of the current association hantop racing series, will head the field of drivers for Sunday's program.

Smith won the first race at the fairgrounds three weeks ago.

Columbia county's Walt Waldron, Dick Gaboury, Portland; Lucky Glasscock, Arnold Millen and Art Watts are among the other leading drivers who will be aiming at upsetting Smith's domination of the state racing circles when the flag goes down Sunday.

Extensive improvements have been made on the fast half-mile dirt track at the fairgrounds and some infield structures including chutes that are no longer used have been removed to provide better visibility of the back stretch for those in the grandstand.

Sunday's program will include a 35 lap class "A" main event; a 25 lap class "B" main event, four heat races and a pair of trophy dashes.

Time trials are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. with the racing program scheduled to get underway at 2:30 p.m.

County Board Elects Sandon

H. G. Sandon, representative of Vernonia, Birkenfeld and Mist, was reelected chairman of the Columbia county rural school district board of directors at a recent meeting of the board.

He will serve for the 1933-34 school year. Mrs. Addie McAdam, representing zone 4, consisting of Clatskanie, Quincy, Bradbury, Mayger and part of Westport, was named vice chairman.

Both Sandon and Mrs. McAdam were reelected as members of the board in a rural school district election.

Members of the board are starting the new year's work with an audit of budgets for elementary school districts in the county. The St. Helens district and the Clatskanie district are excepted.

The board will also determine the amount of money to be allocated to each district on the basis of valuation of the rural district.

Funds received by the individual schools are taken from the total levied against the valuation of the entire rural district, which actually is the valuation of the county excepting the valuation of school district 2, St. Helens, according to Mrs. Lois Kent, county superintendent.

Mrs. Kent said the rural board welcomes attendance of interested persons at its meetings, held the fourth Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the courthouse, St. Helens.

Picnic Scheduled

The annual picnic of the Minnesota society of Portland is scheduled to take place Sunday, July 26, at Jantzen Beach park. The affair will begin at 11 a.m. and will feature Marshall N. Dana as principal speaker at 3 p.m. This is the annual gathering of former Minnesotans.

Firemen Called

Volunteer firemen were called into action about 7:30 Saturday morning to extinguish a fire in back of The Eagle building. Heat from type metal melting equipment started the blaze and caused approximately \$500 damage. Quick action of the firemen prevented greater damage. Insurance covered the loss.

THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

William D. Weaver is scheduled to return home from Korea soon and should be in the U. S. by July 25. He will receive his discharge at Camp Stoneman, California before coming on to his home in Vernonia. He is a nephew of Mrs. Linwood Reynolds.

10 TB Cases To Be Found With X-Rays

Estimate Based on Similar Surveys of Unit Around State

The county-wide chest x-ray survey, to be undertaken in Columbia county from July 25 to August 22, will find an estimated 10 previously unknown cases of tuberculosis, according to Miss Grace Roumagoux, Columbia county public health nurse. Miss Roumagoux stated in community meetings throughout the county that in similar surveys around Oregon, incidence of tuberculosis has been found to be about one case in every 1000 persons x-rayed. In almost every instance, the person has not suspected that he has the disease.

Through the county-wide chest x-ray program, it is hoped to discover the cases of tuberculosis in the early stages when the disease is more easily cured. Advanced cases usually call for prolonged treatment with more loss of time from job and family.

Miss Roumagoux pointed out that out of every 100 x-rays taken at the x-ray units around the county, about three will be held out for further study and larger x-rays. Of this group, one may show further evidence of tuberculosis and one may reveal some other chest disorder, such as certain heart conditions, tumors, or early cancer of the lung.

Miss Roumagoux cited the tendency of the public today to disregard tuberculosis as a problem because it strikes in undramatic fashion and the average person knows little about it. She quoted one tuberculosis specialist as saying that if only a person's nose would turn red or his ear curl when he contracted the disease, tuberculosis would have been licked long ago. But it shows no such outward sign.

"Although people will be busy," said Miss Roumagoux, "with berries, harvest, logs and vacation, the x-ray units will be around the county for a full month and everyone should be able to find two minutes for a chest x-ray in that length of time. You can come as you are to the x-ray unit. No appointment is necessary and you don't have to undress."

Community organization is being completed in the county this week.

Valley Pioneer Dies July 13

Funeral services for Alma J. (Grandma) Sitts were conducted in Portland Wednesday morning at 11 a.m. at Gable's Sunrise Chapel. Death came July 13 at the age of 92 years at her home in Portland where she had lived since leaving Vernonia a few years ago.

Mrs. Sitts was a pioneer resident of the Rock Creek vicinity, having homesteaded there. Surviving are: a daughter, Alice M. Wagner; two grandchildren, Hazel Meyer and Rose Foster; three great grandchildren and a brother, LeRoy Nickerson.

Commitment took place at the Pioneer cemetery here about 1:30 Wednesday.

O-A Board Holds Meeting Here

The new board of directors of the Oregon-American Lumber Corporation met here Monday forenoon of last week and spent the remainder of the day at Camp Olson and on a tour of some of the timber holdings of the firm.

After the meeting the board and others in the party, which totaled 16 in all, were taken to Camp Olson for lunch. From there they viewed timber in the Keasey area.

Board Awards Bids for Line Construction Work

West Oregon Electric Cooperative's board of directors, at their regular July meeting Tuesday evening, designated the winning bids for work that is planned to provide much heavier electrical service for the Jewell-Elsie area, which the cooperative serves. Included in the work for which the bids were chosen is 16.3 miles of transmission line, a package substation to be located between Jewell and Elsie and construction at the Sunset Junction substation,

according to Guy I. Thomas, manager of the Cooperative.

Construction of the 34,500-volt transmission line, the most costly part of the program to improve service to the area, drew four bids, one of which the board designated. The directors chose the Estep Line Construction company of Yakima to do the job for \$54,872, lowest of the three bids considered.

The two higher figures were submitted by R. C. Hughes Construction company, Spokane, \$71,404 and Larned Construction company, Moses Lake, Washington, \$74,373.

The line work is slated to begin the first of August and is scheduled for completion early in November to pick up the winter peak load in the Jewell-Elsie area.

Westinghouse Electric Supply company, Portland, submitted the winning bid to furnish a 1500 KVA 34,500-volt package substation which will be located between Jewell and Elsie to handle the increased service. Figure submitted for furnishing the sub was \$19,190.96.

Board members also gave their approval to purchase a 130x130-foot plot in the area for location of the station. Their authorization included the expenditure of \$100 for the plot which will be obtained from John and Anna Collins.

The cooperative split two bids in awarding the work that will complete the substation at Sunset junction with which the transmission line will connect. The work at Sunset calls for the erection of steel towers, concrete pads and footings, wiring, transformers, etc.

Seven bidders sought the substation work. Chosen by the board were: Barnes Appliance Service incorporated to do the steel and wiring for \$1889 and H. A. Starr Concrete to excavate and pour all the concrete for \$1926.34.

The lack of sufficiently heavy transmission and transformer facilities in the past has made it impossible for the cooperative to serve electrical demands in the area, a situation that will be changed when the work is completed.

Fund Wanted for Lot Improvement

Another activity of the Vernonia Garden club is scheduled for Friday afternoon of this week when members of the club and friends are invited to a garden tea party that will take place at the home of Mrs. Judd Greenman at 3 p.m.

Purpose of the party Friday will be to start a fund which is intended for the project of improving vacant city lots and carrying out the club's slogan of "Watch Vernonia bloom."

Jess Thornton, Warren, talked to the club at the July 10 meeting about gardening and landscaping and both he and Mrs. Thornton have expressed considerable interest in the impending project of the club. He has the contract for landscaping the lawn in front of the high school.

Hall Wins Class A Race Event 2nd Time Sunday

Cloice Hall was the winner Sunday of the class A main event race at McMinnville, the second time this season he has captured the top place at the Shodeo grounds, having won before on June 14 in the first contest of the season.

His victory places him in top spot toward the season championship with a total of 217 points. Third place in a race last Sunday went to Roger Quirin.

Other placings by Hall Sunday list him for first in the ten lap

sprint, second in the class A helmet dash and third in the first heat.

The 217-point standing places him in first place among drivers of the Columbia County Drivers' association and well ahead of second place held by Abe Emerson, St. Helens, with 132 points.

Dust has plagued drivers at McMinnville since the season has opened and up to Sunday, but was of little bother then although the track was somewhat rough.



DONNA JOHNSON, Clatskanie, Miss Columbia County of 1933, will be one of 14 contestants to participate in the Miss Oregon Pageant to be held at the Broadway school, Seaside, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 17, 18 and 19. Miss Johnson won the county title when judging was completed June 20.