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Over Half of Population Visits Unit

NUMBER FALLS BELOW PERCENTAGE DESIRED BY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

More than 50 percent of the adult population of the Vernonia area visited the mobile chest x-ray unit during its stay here, according to figures released from the office of Miss Grace Roumagoux of the county health department. While this is short of the hoped-for 70 percent of the population, it is a good showing and was achieved through the combined efforts of the volunteers. One thousand, one hundred seventeen persons were x-rayed.

The Mist-Birkenfeld area almost reached the 70 percent goal, as 100 people were x-rayed during the four-hour period that the unit was in Mist. In addition to this number, it is known that a few people were x-rayed at Vernonia. Since the estimated adult population of the two towns is 151, this will probably be the highest coverage in the county.

Figures from Clatskanie are not yet complete, since there were two units there. The portable unit was set up in the city hall for four days with the mobile unit moving in to complete the survey on Saturday, August 1. The approximate number filmed there was 1190, which is about 54 percent of the adult population of the Clatskanie, Mayger and Quincy areas.

The portable unit is now stationed in the offices of the Pacific Power & Light company in Rainier where it will operate until August 8. Both units will operate in St. Helens through August 22 and the survey will be completed by the portable unit in Scappoose where it will set August 12 through 15.

Return cards are being received by the majority of the people, and letters are being sent out to those whose x-rays showed a need for the larger film. Miss Roumagoux states that so far no serious findings have come to light, but that those receiving letters to return for the larger film usually show films will be taken in Vernonia on August 17, between the hours of 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Owners Change For Business

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stiff recently took over the wood and sawdust fuel business which had been operated by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tapp for a number of years. In making the change, Mr. and Mrs. Tapp have moved to their new home located on an acreage just off the Sunset highway near North Plains and Mr. and Mrs. Stiff are occupying the Tapp home on State street.

The home formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Stiff has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jones, who have been residing near their store located across the highway from the Washington school.

McClure Discusses Farm Problems at 200th Meet

The regular quarterly meeting of the Columbia County Pomona Grange was held Saturday, August 1, at Fern Hill Grange hall, this being the 200th meeting of the group. State Master Elmer McClure was present and addressed the meeting in the afternoon.

McClure, in discussing farm problems, stated that the present food surplus in this country is experienced in some other countries. Although farm prices may go down on account of over supply of wheat, corn, etc., it is less expensive than having to ship these foods into the country.

He also spoke of the things which develop when people are hungry, such as communism and other isms, along with famine and disease. He also spoke of the development of Hell's Canyon, whether it was to be the maximum as planned if the Government builds one large dam, or the minimum as may be provided if three small dams are built by Idaho Power Co. Water power is now our only natural resource and the most should be made of it for future development.

County Agricultural Agent Don

THOSE WHO ARE IN IT



Jim Frank, Airman 3rd class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elgus Frank, has been transferred from Parks Air Force Base in California to Chanute Field, Illinois where he will be for four months for training in the electric branch of aircraft accessories. His family expects him home for Christmas.

Pvt. Donald V. Bergerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bergerson of Timber Route, recently arrived in Korea for duty with the 25th infantry division, now the senior American division on the Korean Peninsula. The 25th landed in July 1950, shortly after the Communists launched their attack against Korea.

Man Disappears From Home Here

No clues were available earlier this week as to the location of Otto Knover, 46, who disappeared from his home here after leaving a note indicating he intended suicide. The note gave directions for finding the family car in Oregon City on High street.

He had been despondent over ill health and had written that he had been a burden on the family long enough. Mr. and Mrs. Knover and their son, Harry, have lived for several months in the W. D. Steele house on Tenth street in River-view. He worked for Jim Smith at Pittsburg up until the time he left.

Mrs. Knover feels that her husband is all right and hopes to hear from him soon.

Services Held For Relative

Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 4, at 2 p.m. at the Coleman Funeral chapel in St. Helens for Mrs. Lena Rainwater Jones.

Mrs. Jones, 60, died at her home in St. Helens.

Survivors include: her husband, Harry Jones; Mrs. Helen Halsey and Harry E. Jones, Jr., all of St. Helens; a brother, Martin Rainwater, of Vernonia and five grandchildren.

She is the aunt of Glenn Rainwater and Mrs. Thelma Bergerson of Vernonia.

Walrod spoke on new sprays which may be used to combat flea beetle and other pests. The moths which lay the eggs which develop into the destructive tent caterpillars are now out, and are laying eggs for next season's worms. Spray can be used to kill the eggs if applied to the trees.

A class of three took the Fifth Degree in the evening, after which the Lecturer's program was enjoyed by all. This consisted of stunts, skits and music, and a talk by the Grange Historian Pearl Becker on county, state and grange history. Mrs. Becker showed the Oregon state flag which has been so little known until this date and spoke of the 100th anniversary of Columbia county coming next year.

In discussing grange history, Fern Hill Grange was the topic. This Grange was organized in 1920 with 77 charter members, three of them being present at this session. The accomplishments of the group through the years is the history of the community development, being always for good roads, schools and other improvements.

The next meeting of Pomona will be in November with Winema Grange at Birkenfeld.

City Issues Bond Bid Call At Session

ENGINEERS ASKED TO PREPARE ESTIMATE FOR SETTLING TANK

At Monday evening's city council meeting another step was completed towards realizing a sewer system for Corey hill when an ordinance was officially adopted authorizing the bond issue.

The ordinance, No. 330, provides for the "issuance, sale, maturity and retirement of general obligation sewer bonds authorized by a vote of the people at a special election in the amount of \$85,000 for a sewer use charge.

The act, prepared by City Attorney Carrell F. Bradley, also provides for the calling for bids from bond buyers. The bonds must be purchased before the city can authorize the completion of final engineering plans and call for bids for the work. Bids for the bonds are to be opened at a council meeting set for August 24.

Monday's meeting was partially devoted also to the hearing of complaints by C. A. McDonald and Clifford D. Fisher against the police department. The former objected to the method of handling and the latter to an arrest of his son who was AWOL from the army. Both were answered by police to the satisfaction of the council when points of law and additional information to that voiced in the complaints was brought out.

The last official act of the evening was the issuing of an order that the engineering firm employed by the city, N. W. Haner and Associates, prepare a preliminary survey for replacement of the wood settling tank with a unit of increased capacity at the city pumping plant.

The present wood tank has deteriorated to a point where replacement is necessary soon.

4-H Judging At Fair 1st Feature

Judging contests will be featured as the first activities for 4-H club members when the Columbia county fair opens on Thursday, August 13.

The livestock judging contest will begin at 9:30 and the home economics contest at 10:00. Each club is eligible to enter a team of three members in the contest corresponding with their project.

Judging of 4-H dairy animals will begin as soon as the judging contest is done. Events in the rabbit and poultry building for 4-H club members in the afternoon include a rabbit judging contest at 3:00, a rabbit showmanship contest at 3:30, a poultry judging contest at 4:00, and a poultry showmanship contest at 4:30.

The 4-H cooking demonstration contest is scheduled for Thursday at 1 p.m. in the 4-H building.

On Friday, August 14, the following 4-H contests are scheduled: cake baking contest at 9:00; lower Columbia salad making contest at 11:00; bread baking contest at 12 noon; clothing demonstrations at 1:00 and canning contest at 2:00.

Four-H beef, sheep and hog classes will also be judged during the morning in the show ring. One of the highlights of the fair for club members and spectators alike will be the 4-H showmanship contests on Friday afternoon. A trophy will be awarded to the champion 4-H showman.

The annual 4-H dress review will be presented on Saturday morning, August 15 at 11:15.

A number of special contests are also scheduled for Saturday morning. These include the crops and weeds identification contest at 9:30; forestry identification contest at 10:00 and vegetable judging contest at 11:30.

GARDENERS MEET FRIDAY

The next meeting of the Vernonia Garden club will be held at the home of Mrs. Herb Sturdevant Friday, August 7 at 2 p.m. The discussion slated for this meeting is fall planting.

Full Program, New Features Prepared by Fair Board for Annual County Show

Something different in the way of entertainment every afternoon and night is in store for those attending the 38th annual Columbia county fair August 13, 14 and 15 at the Columbia county fairgrounds at Deer Island.

Members of the fairboard announced the complete revised program this week with the signing of the Multnomah county sheriff's motorcycle stunt team to put on an evening show in front of the main grandstand at 7 p.m. Friday, August 14. The motorcycle stunt riders replace the hardtop races on Friday night's program.

A troop of 17 expert motorcycle riders will be in the sheriff's crew that will be featured in the hour and 40-minute show. Precision motorcycle drills will occupy only about 15 minutes of the show and the rest of the evening's entertainment will be made up of 50 stunts including precision riding, a board wall crash, riding through a hoop of water, broad jumps over 20 people and pyramiding of men on from one to three motorcycles.

Joie Chitwood and his auto daredevils with their fleet of new Fords will be in the spotlight on the opening night of the fair when they perform on the track in front of the main grandstand.

Precision driving, ramp to ramp leaps, wingovers, crash dives into parked cars and a head-on crash are only a few of the features of the Thursday show that has been revamped since it made its showing at the fairgrounds last year.

Saturday evening, with time trials at 4:30 p.m. and races beginning at 5:30, drivers of the Columbia County Racing Association will take over the improved half mile dirt track at the fairgrounds. The hardtop races will feature drivers of the Columbia County association and will be their first appearance on the fairgrounds track this year. They have been driving this summer at McMinnville.

Thursday afternoon's entertainment will be at the 4-H judging ring where 4-H and FFA members will participate in showmanship contests and parade their animals. Two rings are available so that two classes may be judged at the same time.

Friday afternoon a pair of new features aimed at providing participation and entertainment for

Services Held At Oregon City

Last rites took place Saturday, August 1 at Oregon City for Ernest Harris Steen who passed away here last Thursday morning, July 30. Death came at the age of 54 years, 10 months and 29 days. Ernest Steen was born at Grangeville, Idaho, September 1, 1898. He had been a resident of this state for the past 30 years and 20 of those years he had spent in this community where he was occupied as a logger.

Surviving are: his wife, Rose, and daughter, Mary Rose, of Vernonia; four sisters, Mrs. George Newton of Oregon City, Mrs. G. E. Long of Portland, Mrs. Carl Johnson, Camas, Washington and Mrs. A. E. Paulson, Eagle Creek and one brother, Alvin Steen of Haines, Alaska.

Commitment took place at Mountain View cemetery, Oregon City.

Scouts Given \$86 From Club

The treasury of the Vernonia Boy Scout troop will be enriched in the amount of \$86 because of a decision made a few days ago by members of the Vernonia Trap club.

The club sponsored a trap shoot earlier this year for the purpose of raising a fund which was to be used to send a scout to the jamboree. As no scout from Vernonia attended the jamboree, the fund still remains with the trap club. Bill Horn announced Wednesday morning that the fund was to be disposed of by giving it to the local troop.

Vernonia merchants donated prizes for the shoot to help make the affair a success.

The trap club will sponsor another shoot at the O-A ball park Sunday, August 23.

all county residents will be featured when the county fair Olympics will be staged in front of the grandstand and the first annual county fair doubles horseshoe championship tournament will be held.

The county fair Olympics promises a fun-filled afternoon with cash prizes going to the winners of each of the events. Various age groups among the children for both boys and girls will give fair goers of all ages an equal chance to win prizes and special novelty events for men and women are planned.

The program will include sprints, a fat man's race, a women's shoe kicking contest, rolling pin throwing, softball throws, three legged races, backwards races and a variety of other novelty events.

Saturday afternoon from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. the free barbecue will be held. Eight head of prime beef will be barbecued over open oak coals and served with bread and a special barbecue sauce free to all in attendance during those hours.

The Sather-Nusom ranch at Clatskanie and the St. Helens Junior Chamber of Commerce each provided one animal for the barbecue. Bread will be furnished by the Langendorf bakery through the cooperation of "Heinie" Heumann, St. Helens.

A surefire attraction throughout the fair will be the giant West Coast Shows and Carnival which will again set up on the midway.

Featured with the carnival this week will be the Four Barrett's in an aerial thrill act which sees them performing 125 feet in the air.

A number of new thrill rides with special emphasis on new rides for the kiddies are included in the Carnival's attractions this year. A total of 10 shows and 15 rides will line the midway to provide entertainment for all.

The county's 4-Hers, FFA members, granges and farmers will have on display the county's best in handiwork and agricultural produce and animals throughout the fair.



TWO OF the eight prime animals to be barbecued over an open pit for free distribution to all in attendance at the fair Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. are pictured above. Robert Muhr, left, president of the St. Helens Junior Chamber of Commerce is with the animal his organization donated to the fairboard for the barbecue. In the center is Ja Sather of the Sather-Nusom farms in Clatskanie which donated the Brahma bull held by Jewett A. Bush, Clatskanie, secretary-manager of the fairboard who received the animals from the two donors. Bread for the barbecue will be furnished by the Langendorf bakery through the cooperation of Heinie Heumann, St. Helens.

(Clatskanie Chief Photo.)



PICTURED above is one of 50 thrill acts to be performed before the main grandstand at the Columbia county fair as the featured night attraction on Friday, August 14. The famed Multnomah County Sheriff's motorcycle troop will stage the hour and 40 minute thrill show.

Expenditures Itemized

JULY REPORT OF COUNTY WELFARE EXPENDITURES

"Matched Programs, i.e. payments in the cost of which the Federal Government participates.

	Cases	Cost
Old Age Assistance	310	\$15,981.03
Aid to Dependent Children	55	\$ 6,294.53
Aid to Disabled	35	\$ 2,335.09
Aid to Blind	2	\$ 176.00
General Assistance, i.e. payments in the cost of which the State and County participate 70/30.		
General Assistance (Family and Single cases)	60	\$ 2,854.33
Foster Home Care	18	\$ 590.03
Medical Care		
General Assistance	30	\$ 836.72
Old Age Assistance	92	\$ 4,653.65
Aid to Dependent Children	22	\$ 776.30
Aid to Disabled	11	\$ 867.39
Aid to Blind	1	\$ 5.40
TOTAL	565	\$35,370.41
County Participation		\$ 6,499.26
Administration		\$ 2,446.95
No County Participation		