

Vernonia Eagle

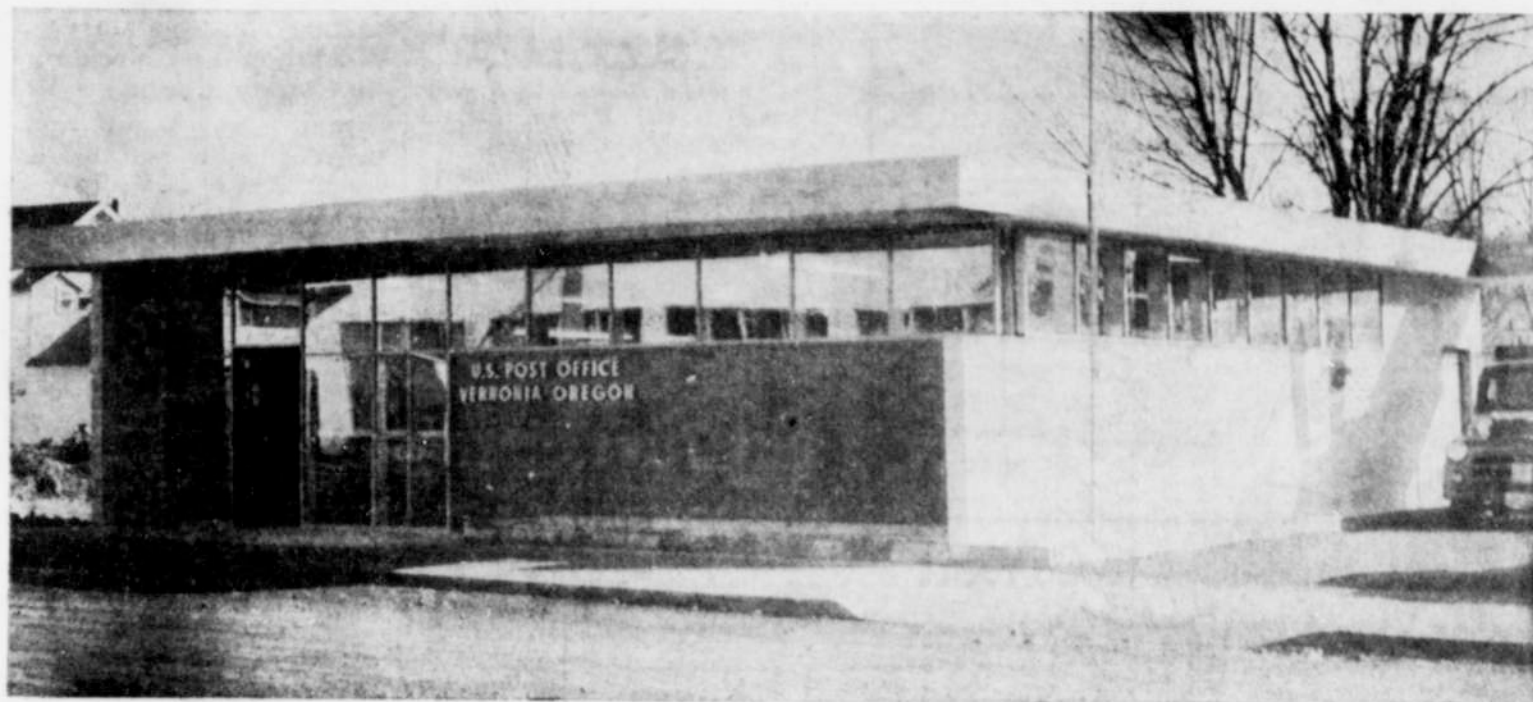
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POSTAL business was transacted for the first time last Thursday morning in this new building at Second and Maple streets into which post office equipment was moved Wednesday evening. Considerable work to arrange equipment and refinish woodwork

facings the lobby was completed after the move was made. D. L. Skoog, traveling mechanic, supervised the change, most of which was carried out by office employees.

Observance of Centennial Due

Columbia county's 100th birthday will be observed in conjunction with the annual Columbia county fair from August 5 to 8, it was announced this week.

The 1954 fair will be the Columbia County Centennial Fair and fair board members are happy to cooperate with the county historical society and others interested in observing the 100th anniversary of the county's founding, members of the fair board announced last week.

While definite plans have not been formulated it is tentatively planned that Saturday, August 7, will be the centennial day at the fair when it is planned that a pageant depicting the history of the county will be given as an entertainment feature of the fair.

A committee with members selected from all areas of the county will be named to formulate definite anniversary plans.

A rodeo is planned as the major evening entertainment on other days of the fair, fair officials announced.

Columbia county came into being on January 15, 1854.

7 Boys Advanced At Honor Court

Seven boys, members of Vernonia Boy Scout troop 201, participated in a Scout court of honor which was conducted last Thursday at Aloha. Going to the affair from here were 15 boys and seven adults.

The seven who received advancements to second class were: Byron Hawkins, Lee Harmon, Jim Nanson, Dale Frye, David Linn, Albert Davis, and Douglass Egert.

To Speak Saturday

"How Business Looks in 1934 to a Lumber Manufacturer" will be the topic of speech to be given Saturday morning by Judd Greenman at the annual meeting of the Western Forest Industries association at Gearhart. He is vice-president of the National Lumber Manufacturers association. The three-day meeting opens today.

Examiner Due Here

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Vernonia Friday, March 12, 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 then.

Firemen Practice

Volunteer fire department members were called into action Tuesday evening about 15 minutes before seven to participate in a practice fire drill under the direction of Chief Sam Cagle.

Better Business Bureau Organized Tuesday Night

The organization of a better business bureau, which had been a topic of discussion for over a week previous to the meeting, was accomplished Tuesday evening when about 15 owners of businesses here met.

The meeting was arranged early last week to take place at the Commercial bank where aspects

County Receives \$6036 from Fees

Licensing operations of the Oregon liquor control commission during 1953 resulted in distribution of \$654,080.50 to cities, counties and the general fund of the state. The commission reports that warrants totalling \$391,483.95, representing 60 per cent of license fees collected, were distributed to cities and counties in January. Columbia county and cities therein received \$6,036.46.

Forty per cent of the earned license revenue, or \$260,989.30, is being channeled to the general fund, plus revenue from out of state licenses and sale of lists, bringing the total distribution to the general fund to \$262,596.55.

Distributions are made in accordance with the liquor control act which specifies that 60 per cent of license fees return to the locality in which the licensed outlet is located and the remainder go to the general fund.

Resident Here Taken by Death

Cora Hall Akers, a resident of Vernonia for the past year, was taken by death Saturday of last week, February 27. She had made her home here with her daughter, Mrs. Geneva Killingberg, and prior to that time had lived at Pocatello, Idaho for 35 years.

The deceased was born at McDowell, Kentucky May 30, 1877 and death came at the age of 76 years, eight months and 27 days.

Surviving are: her husband, A. J. Akers; three daughters, Mrs. Killingberg, Mrs. Myra Brunkau of Portland and Mrs. Betty Jones of Pocatello and sons, Lee, Clyde and Walker Akers of Vernonia, Paul of Blackfoot, Idaho and brothers, Matt and Walker Hall of Greenup, Kentucky.

Services took place at the Hall Grant Funeral Home at Pocatello.

Annual Sale Planned

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, March 11, 12 and 13 are the dates set for the ninth annual anniversary sale at Brunsman Hardware. Every lady visiting the store during that time will receive a gift. Wholesale firms are participating in the event by helping make the gifts available.

of the proposal drew favorable comment.

Purpose of the organization is to provide a clearing center from which either approval or rejection will be given for individuals or groups wishing to contact business firms respective to obtaining financial assistance.

The individuals or groups in question would be those from out of town and the bureau is designated to determine whether the requests they will make are worthy of consideration from the people who are contacted.

It was emphasized Tuesday that the bureau would have no authority to restrict the canvassing of businesses even though it did not approve the purpose for which the canvass was to be made.

Headquarters for the bureau will be located at Brunsman Hardware and a committee of six businessmen were named. Of this committee at least three members will be required to act in making a decision. If favorable to the request, a card showing approval will be issued.

The six men who signified willingness to act as the committee are: Jack Thompson, Joe Groche, Art Gardner, Guy Thomas, Sam Hearing, Jr., and Pete Brunsman.

World Circling Trip Completed

Mrs. Wilma Thompson's husband, Louis A. Thompson, just arrived home from a trip around the world. He left Longview last October as third officer on a Liberty ship, the S. S. Seanan, carrying grain to Pakistan. From Pakistan the ship sailed south again to the tip of India where they picked up sand as the cargo for New Jersey where it is used for hardening steel.

Mr. Thompson then returned to this country by way of the Suez Canal and Mediterranean Sea, finishing the circle by crossing the Atlantic. He flew home from New York last Friday night, arriving in Portland Saturday morning. He plans to be at their home in Clatskanie for a few months. Mrs. Thompson is the kindergarten teacher at the Washington grade school.

Item Errs on Law Violation

Through information which became known here a short time ago, an item published February 18 regarding the case of Arthur Thomas Johnson was in error. The item stating that he was fined \$2941.40 in circuit court for violation of the motor vehicle weight law was misleading in that the case has not been heard in circuit court.

Team Loses Decision To Tigers

Clatskanie's tournament-bound basketball team took the decision from the Loggers here Tuesday night to make it their second victory in two starts, the first coming last Friday 75-72 and the second here Tuesday night 74-54. Both were tied for top spot in district play up to that time.

The two victories for the Tigers assure them a place in the class A state tournament as representatives for district 14, Columbia county with seven wins and one loss.

FRIDAY GAME CLOSE

Last Friday's encounter wasn't as easy for Clatskanie as the Loggers led near the end only to be tied at the final gun. The overtime scoring of the Tigers won that game for them by the narrow margin of three points, 75-72.

Anticipation for the second meeting Tuesday brought out a capacity crowd with even standing room occupied. Ken Nanson topped the scoring for the night with 20, but the Loggers as a team experienced one of those evenings during which they weren't at the peak of performance.

Spectators who may wonder about the change of officials that was not known about here until game time are informed that a protest has been lodged with the state athletic headquarters on the matter of principle only and not as a possibility of replaying the game.

The change of game officials was requested by Clatskanie, was made without knowledge of the high school here and did not become known here until a few minutes before play started.

NOT MENTIONED

The request for a change was made Monday afternoon, yet no mention was made at a league meeting that evening, athletic officials here say. The protest filed objects to the change without notice being given. No objection has been voiced to the manner in which the game was handled.

Quarter scores were 19-13, 33-27 and 51-40, all with the Tigers leading. Clatskanie won the preliminary 56-52. Lineups were:

74 Clatskanie	Vernonia 54
F 7 Sorensen	Braun 11
F 11 Glouse	O'Brien 2
C 18 Harrison	Fulton 6
G 8 Hermo	Nanson 20
G 15 Lahti	Bass 7

Substitutions: for Clatskanie—Baisley 6, Higgins 4, Jolma 4, Pillar 1; for Vernonia, Bush, 2.

Bids Asked by Council for New Tank Work

Engineer Estimate Places Cost at \$20,000 for Job

City Councilmen, meeting Monday for their first March session, heard S. A. Ross, city engineer from the firm of N. W. Haner and Associates, compare details of several different types of settling tanks that could be installed to use with the city water pumping system.

His work in engineering a tank that would be suitable for the city plant yet cost within the amount available for the work has been done to replace the tank now in use. The present tank was constructed of wood and is very near the end of its useful life, making replacement necessary very soon.

Ross was ordered to prepare plans for a new tank late last year and has been working on the job since then as well as seeking estimates as to costs so that the city would have a fairly definite idea of the amount of expenditure necessary when the job was opened for bids.

The proposed new tank will be larger than the one now in use, will be constructed of metal instead of wood and will make possible double the pumping capacity of the plant. By doubling the pumping capacity summer pumping hours can be reduced.

Ross presented figures to indicate that the tank alone would cost \$14,500, an agitator mechanism \$1200 and piping \$1500. Contingencies and a base for the tank could not be estimated definitely, but it is believed the total will be \$20,000.

Councilmen ordered Ross to prepare a call for bids so the work can be started this spring.

Fire Chief Sam Cagle exhibited a sample slicker and demonstrated a gas mask to councilmen who approved the purchase of 12 of the coats for the fire department. Other types of gas masks will be examined before purchase of any of these units is authorized.

Fishing Rule Closes Waters

Coastal waters will be closed to angling for a period of two months commencing on March 1, according to information released by the Oregon game commission. Regulations adopted by the game commission in January became effective on February 6, and superseded all regulations previously in effect.

Steelhead anglers have inquired about the possibility of continuing to fish in coastal waters until March 15, assuming that regulations adopted in January, 1953, would remain in effect through the winter season. That is not the case.

Steelhead fishermen need not hang up their gear because of the coastal closure. In the western part of the state, the Clackamas, Molalla, Sandy and Hood Rivers offer good possibilities. Several other smaller streams support a steelhead fishery.

Holce Wins Prize

Winner of the last week of the current VFW steelhead derby is Wilford Holce with a 14-pound, 10-ounce steelhead taken in the Salmonberry. He also weighed in a 10-pound eight-ounce catfish last week. Harve Christensen weighed in a 14-pounder caught in Rock creek to almost equal the top week's catch.

Discharge Received

Calvin Bass arrived home last week after receiving his discharge from the service.



W. T. GRAVES was 81 years of age February 19 when this photo was taken at Sundland's where he was the honor guest at a party to celebrate the event. Mr. Graves was born February 19, 1873 at Sheridan and came to Vernonia to start work with the Oregon-American when the mill first began operation. He has a sister in Florida who is 88 years of age and one in Sheridan, age 84.