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## Chamber to Choose Five For Directors

### Ballots Mailed to Members Wednesday; Committees Report

Ballots containing the names of ten nominees for five positions of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors were mailed out to the membership on Wednesday. The nominees are: Jack Thompson, Reggie Watson, Jewell Lloyd, William E. Wilson, Cliff White, C. J. Schaumburg, Don Bayley, Wilbur Davis, Louise Hahn and Bob Thompson. This election will decide the people to fill vacancies on the board when the terms of five directors now in office expire at the end of this year.

The ballots will be counted and the election results announced at the directors and membership meeting December 10. Nominees for the positions were picked Tuesday evening by a committee of Bob King, Bill Horn and Marvin Kamholz.

Carl Schaumburg was appointed publicity chairman by Guy Thomas, president, at the directors meeting Monday night.

Art Ostrander, roads and highways committee chairman, reported that contacts had been made and the state highway department will put up additional "Vernonia" road signs on highway 30 and on the Apiary cut off from Rainier and the Longview bridge. They also are improving many of the signs for curves by adding the miles-per-hour for safe driving. His committee has approached the highway department regarding the needed striping in this locality.

Marvin Kamholz reported for the brochure committee that the copy and layout were ready. It was accepted by the directors and will be printed soon.

## Death Claims George Engelke

George E. Engelke was found dead at his home Tuesday after Ben Smith reported that his light had been on day and night since Sunday but no one had seen any activity. Leslie McMullen who went to investigate found him seated in his rocking chair where he had apparently died of a heart attack.

Mr. Engelke came to the Nehalem valley in the late 1890's as near as can be determined. He settled first on Pebble Creek at a place near where the road turns off to Roger's Park. It is known that previous to that he had at one time owned a candy kitchen in Portland and an apple orchard in the Hood River valley. Also, he had been heard to say that his father fought in the Prussian war.

His age is believed to have been around the ninety mark.

If he had relatives who survive, it is not known who or where they might be.

Graveside services will be held for him this afternoon Thursday, at 2:00 o'clock at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery with Bush Funeral Home in charge.

## Vernonia P.O. Pictured

Vernonia achieved national recognition last month when the mail truck of Ed Roediger was pictured by the Vernonia Post office on the front of "The Star Carrier," a national magazine for mail carriers.

## LOGGERS PLACE ON ALL-STARS

One first team place, one second team spot and five honorable mentions are listed for the Vernonia Loggers in the naming of Lower Columbia League all-star teams released last week.

Bill Higley holds the first team tackle position and Hank Bass the second team center place. For honorable mention, Chet Ray end, Pat Lloyd and R. Higley, guards, Dick Frank, quarterback and Carl Holsey, halfback, are listed.

League coaches and officials of participating schools vote to make the all-star selections.

## THOSE WHO ARE IN IT

Marvin Eby has both a new rating and a new address. He has now been made a corporal, and though still at Fort Hood, Texas the address is changed. He expects to be home for two weeks at Christmas. His new address is Cpl. Marvin D. Eby, U.S. 56-217-741, 1st. Personnel Service Co., 1st Support Bn., 1st Armd. Div., Fort Hood, Texas.

A/3c and Mrs. Leonard Wilhelm of Paine Air Force Base at Everett, Washington visited at the Albert Schaeck home from Thursday until Sunday evening.

Larry Brown arrived by plane in San Francisco just 27 hours after word reached him in Japan of the emergency existing at home. He came by car from there, arriving here last Friday morning.

## Book Poster Winners Named

Winners of the annual National Children's Book Week poster contest sponsored by the Vernonia Public Library Board were:

Elementary School—first, Sally Biggs; second, Joyce Thompson and honorable mention, Sharon Countess.

High School—first, Ronnie Anderson; second, Loretta Mills and honorable mention, Sharon Gwin.

Books will be given as prizes to the four top winners.

Judges for the contest were Mrs. Bill J. Horn, Mrs. George Hahn and Mrs. Bill Nichols.

The posters will be on display all this week in the Library.

## Ownership of Shack Changes

The Shack was re-opened Monday under the management of Myrtle Falconbury who has purchased the equipment from the former owner, Rita Shipley, who had been forced to close it two weeks previously because of the illness of her son and then of herself.

Mrs. Falconbury plans to continue operation on the same plan as has been followed, at least for the present.

## P.T.A. Council To Meet

The Columbia County Council of the Parent Teacher's Association will hold its regular meeting on December 6 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Quincy school. Mrs. Lloyd Harrison, president, urges all chairmen and all unit presidents to attend.

## More Shots Given Students

Another immunization clinic was held this morning at the Washington grade school at which Dr. R. D. Eby gave the second shots for diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough to approximately 100 children. The third shots in the series will be given in January.

## Consolidation Effective on Monday

### Logger Netmen Slate Knappa for Opener Monday; Banks, Pacific Next

The Vernonia Loggers basketball team, coached by Jack Reynolds, will open the season Monday night, December 6, against the Knappa Loggers at the local high school gym. Game time is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. when the baby Loggers square off with the Knappa junior varsity team. The varsity game will start immediately following the J.V. game.

The following Tuesday night the Loggers will play Bank's J.V.'s and varsity team on the home court. Game time 6:30 p.m.

Thursday night the local cagers will go on the road to play the Pacific Frosh at Forest Grove high school. Game time is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. The Loggers expect to run against a former team-mate of last year on this night out. Speedster Bill Braun is expected to see action against the locals.

Ken Nanson, the brilliant basketball star of last year's team, is now enrolled at Oregon state college. He has survived the frosh squad cuts and is presently showing well on the O.S.C. rook team.

Back from last year's team will

## Wildlife Program At High School

Our international wildlife, the waterfowl, will be the topic for discussion by Milton Guymon, education agent for the Oregon Game Commission, to be presented at Vernonia High School on December 6, at 10:00 a. m.

Cartoon-like charts will illustrate the 20-minute waterfowl management talk by Guymon to be followed by the sound, color film "Behind the Flyways." This 27-minute movie shows the many cooperative waterfowl management activities being carried on by federal and state agencies, with help from private organizations and sportsmen.

This is the fourth in a series of wildlife management programs presented to students at the Vernonia High School by game commission personnel.

On December 10, Mr. Guymon will be at Jewell high school to discuss the subject, "Will Oregon have Fishing in the Future." This will be a 20-minute chart talk and will be followed by a sound, color film, "Trout Story."

## Month's Programs Listed by PTA

P.T.A. sponsored radio programs to be heard from KOAC at 2:00 p.m. Wednesdays during December are: December 8, "Sex Education for School Children" by Mrs. Jean C. Bloom; December 15, "Journey Toward Freedom" by John H. Waterman, M. D.; December 22, "Creative Activities for Children" by Miss Dortha Lensch; December 29, "Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers." Mrs. Helmer Lindstrom, president.

## Society Schedules Meet

The Columbia County Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, December 7 in the Warren Baptist church, with the usual potluck meal at noon, followed by the program based on the history of Warren and vicinity. All interested in early days in Oregon are welcomed.

## P.T.A. Committee To Meet

The executive committee of the Parent Teachers Association will meet next Tuesday evening, December 7, at 7:30 in the conference room at the high school building.

be five lettermen: Hank Bass, Pat O'Brien, Nolin Collins, Chet Ray and Rick Bush. Carl Holsey, a transfer from Coburg, is expected to add to the experience of the squad. Up from last year's J.V. team are Bob Crowston, Darrell Fluke, Roy Higley and Dick Johnson.

Bud Fulton, last year's talented center, is presently recuperating from a recent appendectomy and is not expected to return to the Varsity before the latter part of December. Charles Cunningham, coming out for basketball this week, will probably not see action in the first game.

The opener promises to be a thriller when the Knappa Loggers, led by "Pudgy Hooks" Hunt and Evan Kumpula, start casting off against the locals. Kumpula was recently picked by sports writers and coaches of Oregon as being one of the eleven top high school basketball players of the state. The local Loggers are expected to have their work cut out for them in falling the strong Knappa Logger team.

## Rites Friday For Ole Brown

Funeral services were read at the Bush Funeral Chapel by Reverend F. M. Knoll last Friday afternoon for Ole Brown who passed away at Good Samaritan hospital in Portland on Tuesday following a long illness and surgery.

Mr. Brown was born at Lanesboro, Minnesota, January 25, 1896. He later moved with his parents to South Dakota, then to North Dakota. He was married at Dickinson, North Dakota on Nov. 25, 1933. In 1942 he and his family moved to Vernonia where he was employed with the Oregon-American Lumber Company.

He is survived by his widow, Ruby; one son, Larry and three daughters, Carol Ann, Judy and Rita; four sisters, Mrs. Fred Johnson of Garretson, South Dakota; Mrs. J. A. Berdahl of Carson, North Dakota; Mrs. Henry Berdahl of New Castle, Wyoming and Mrs. I. J. Johnson of San Jose, California; and two brothers, Neil Brown of Two Harbors, Minnesota and John Brown of Baltic, South Dakota.

Out of town people here for the services included the four sisters; three nephews, Sylvan Berdahl of Santa Cruz, California; Edgar Baird of Palo Alto, California and Glenn Baird and his wife from Newcastle, Wyoming; a niece, Mrs. Ross Throop of Capitola, California; Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. Fred Fockler of Hillsboro and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Boe from Livingston, Montana; and friends, Mrs. Laura Boe, Mrs. Amy Dawkins, Mrs. Zula Evenston and Bud Boe of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dawkins and son of Myrtle Point, Oregon and Mr. and Mrs. Taft Ebeltoft of Seattle.

Concluding services were at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

## Speakers Due For Fire Meet

A meeting is scheduled for the Vernonia Rural Fire District next Tuesday evening, December 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Union hall at which speakers will be present from the Insurance Rating Bureau, the Columbia county assessor's office, and the State Fire Marshall's office. Members of the city council are also expected to attend.

All members of the fire district are urged to attend and any other interested persons will be welcomed.

Merger of the Commercial Bank of Oregon and the United States National bank of Portland was approved Monday by the controller of the currency to be effective at the opening of business November 29.

The consolidation had been approved last week by the shareholders of both banks.

The U. S. National's Vernonia branch will continue to operate at its present location and will be staffed by the same personnel, E. C. Sammons, president, announced.

George A. Remnant will serve as manager of the new branch and Ralph E. Bergerson will be assistant manager.

Lester Ireland and R. W. Well of the Commercial Bank of Oregon were named directors of the U.S. National at a meeting of the board of directors of the Portland institution last Friday. Both men are from Hillsboro. Well is a department store operator and Ireland a hardware and furniture dealer.

At the same meeting, John L. Searcy, executive vice-president of the Commercial bank, was elected a vice-president. Earl A. Mossman, another vice president of the Commercial bank group, was named an assistant vice-president and Ralph H. Shubb, vice president and trust officer, now becomes an assistant trust officer.

"In welcoming the Commercial Bank of Oregon group to the U.S. National, we want to point out that the same friendly staff will

## Millis Named to All-Star Team

Jerry Millis, half-back from Vernonia, closed out a brilliant four-year football career at Pacific university this week as he was named to the Northwest conference all-star team chosen by the league coaches.

A four-year letterman and co-captain of this season's Badger team, Millis was the workhorse of the Pacific offense all season. Although all the opposing teams concentrated on stopping him as the key man in the Badger attack, Millis consistently drove for needed yardage. He led the Badgers in scoring, with 32 points in rushing, and was the team's top punter. In his best offensive display of the season, he gained almost 200 yards against Linfield.

## League Prepares For Annual Ball

Plans are under way at Vernonia high school for the annual Christmas Ball to be held in the school auditorium Saturday evening, December 18, under sponsorship of the Girl's League. The affair is formal and will begin at 8:00 p.m. with music being furnished by The Stardusters, a ten piece orchestra from Forest Grove and the public is invited to attend.

## Good Will Truck To Visit

The Good Will truck will visit Vernonia again next Thursday, December 9 about 9:00 a.m. Anyone having things for them to pick up may call Mrs. Frank Lange and give their address. If they plan to be away from home that morning, articles may be left on the porch.

## Dove Attends Conference

Mr. E. E. Dove is attending a School Plant Conference on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene today, Friday and Saturday at which consultants and speakers from all over the United States will be present. Eminent authorities are expected from New York, California and Washington, D.C.

continue to serve the people of this community," Sammons stated. "To their fine service is now added the increased strength and facilities that our combined resources make possible."

A three-way consolidation including the Commercial Bank of Oregon, U.S. National bank and Bank of Albany adds 12 branches to the U. S. National system and increases deposits by some \$40,000,000, placing U.S. National among the 30 leading banks of the nation.

Under the merger plan, shareholders of the Commercial bank will receive one share of U.S. National stock for each share of Commercial bank stock held.

The Commercial bank was established at Hillsboro in October, 1904, and consolidated in December, 1926, with the Hillsboro National bank, which was established in 1911.

In late 1951 the name was changed to Commercial Bank of Oregon and the bank's affiliates were taken in as branches. Deposits of the group as of September 30 of this year totaled \$32,574,939 with loans of \$15,315,055. Capital funds and reserves stood at \$2,397,784 on the same date.

Managers of other branches in the Commercial Bank group are as follows: Hillsboro, G. L. Glass; West Slope, James L. Huygens; Banks, Merle G. Bryan; Cloverdale, Jack Ruff; Hood River, Robert O. Burman; Sherwood, W. M. Adair; St. Paul, Raymond P. Smith; Wheeler, Edmond R. Plummer; Newberg, Donald H. Finley and Tillamook, Edwin C. Kiekhafer.

## Legion Schedules Girl Wrestlers

A bill of four matches will be offered Saturday night, December 4, at the Legion hall with three of the contests that evening to feature girl wrestlers, a spokesman for the American Legion said earlier this week. The Legion is sponsoring the affair.

This will be the second appearance here this year for the girls. Buffalo Bill, listed as the most picturesque wrestler of today, will meet Bill Cox for the opener. World middleweight champion Kathie Starr will meet Maria Garibaldi in the second event and Violet Ray, former lightweight champion, and Mars Monroe will tangle for the third.

Final event of the evening will be a girls tag team match. The preliminary is billed for 8:30.

## Bids Asked for Crushed Rock

The Oregon state highway commission announces that among bids to be received at the December 7 meeting will be one to furnish 10,000 cubic yards of crushed rock in stockpiles on the Nehalem highway.

The rock will be used by state forces in maintenance operations. This project is one of 19 highway, bridge, traffic signal installation, rock production and park improvement projects for which bids will be opened that day. Estimated cost is \$2,000,000.

## Jamboree to Open LCL Play

Basketball fans will have the chance to see eight teams in action Friday evening for this year's Lower Columbia League jamboree which will inaugurate the 1954-55 season. Opening time is 7:30 at the high school gym.

West teams are Clatskanie, Neahkahnie, Seaside and Warrenton, each of which will play 2 regulation eight-minute quarters with East teams. Representing the East will be Rainier, Scappoose, St. Helens and Vernonia.