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Rose Parade Band Entry To Be Talked

Director Sets Date For Discussion of Festival Participation

The possibility of this community participating in the Portland Rose Festival parade June 11 will be the topic of a meeting set for Wednesday, April 30 by Bill Johnson, high school band director. He announced the meeting date earlier this week and has prepared a letter which will be sent organizations asking delegates from each to be present for the discussion.

Johnson has already talked with Bud Mallet, general manager of the Rose Festival, who outlined requirements for entering the high school band in the parade. Mallet outlined these stipulations:

"The only sure way for the band to participate in the parade is to have some firm, organization, or the community as a whole sponsor a float in the parade. Since the parade is primarily a floral parade it is necessary to have a float which states that bands must accompany floats.

"He indicated that if there should happen to be a float entered without a band, this band would then be the first invited. The earliest possible date to know about this chance would be not until after the deadline of entries which is May 15." He also added that last year there were over 60 bands turned down.

Problems which Johnson will present for discussion at the April 30 meeting will be: actual construction of a float; sources of obtaining flowers needed; actual theme of the float and general delegation of duties.

Council Reviews Fiscal Budget

One of several matters which occupied the attention of city councilmen at their Monday evening meeting was a review of the proposed budget for the fiscal year, 1935-36 which was drawn up tentatively by Recorder Sam L. Hearing.

The proposed list of expenditures and income provides for a tax levy that will be within six per cent limit and sets aside money for two sinking funds that can be used for sewer work, if needed, in future years.

"The budget committee will meet to consider the proposed cost sheet May 16.

Driveways to be installed in the new curbing project, for which construction started Wednesday, were limited to 15 feet in width for business places and 10 feet for residences. However, where a property owner wishes a wider drive, he must provide concrete to the property line.

Other business was: authorization to pay on April 22 the balance due Ken West for clearing work for the new sewers done recently and rejection of an application of Arthur Fassold, Hillsboro, to start an auto wrecking yard at 122 Bridge street where the Stubbs garage building is located.

Goodwill Truck Scheduled

The Goodwill truck will make its next visit here May 12. People having articles to donate may call Mrs. Frank Lange who will have the truck call.

Winning Posters Placed on Display

Winning poppy posters in the Legion Auxiliary's annual contest are now on display at Miller's store.

Winners are: Class one—4th, 5th and 6th grades; first prize, Annie Scheuffele; second, Glen Lofton and third, Judy Kramer; class two—7th, 8th, and 9th grades; first, Sally Biggs; second, Larry Garlock and third, Glen Siedelman; class three—high school sophomores, juniors and seniors; first, Ronald Anderegg; second, Loretta Mills and third, Patricia Normand.

Supply Lack Postpones Polio Shots; Clinic Date to Be Announced Later

Due to the fact that supplies of the Salk vaccine have not yet reached Oregon, the scheduled clinic for administering the shots here has been postponed until a later date. Since only first and second grade children will receive the vaccine through the free clinic this year, they will be notified through the school of the time when it will be given.

Vaccine for the free clinics throughout the country is provided by March of Dimes funds. Latest amount to be added to that fund in Columbia county was \$200.50 turned in by Ma Vike from the dimes collected on her counter and the special lunch she gave during the campaign.

Keasey Phone Sign-up Urged

According to information released this week by Gene Goodrich of the West Coast Telephone Co., the telephone line is to be built to Keasey in response to the petition of people on that route and present plans are for the line to be completed by July 16 so that service can be established with the switch over to the dial system.

Thirty-nine families had signed the petition asking for phone service and all have been notified by letter of the necessity for them to go to the local telephone office and sign the form for correct directory listing, type of phone wanted and address and location of residence. He urged that all persons on Keasey route wanting phones do this at once so that the Forest Grove office could have complete information to proceed with arrangements.

Teachers Are Given Contracts

At the meeting of the board of directors for Vernonia Union high school district No. 1 recently, contracts were renewed for all teachers except those who had signified their intention not to return. Those were Miss Mary Wagner, librarian, who resigned to take a position elsewhere and Mrs. Marilyn Turnbull, Home Ec teacher, who plans to retire from teaching for the time being. Since that time Dave Turnbull, industrial arts teacher, has turned back his contract to accept one elsewhere.

All returning teachers were given the \$100 annual increment according to board policy and certain other salary adjustments were made to make them commensurate with work done.

Mr. Dove was in Seattle Wednesday to interview teachers in an effort to fill vacancies existing on his staff.

Fireman's Ball Saturday Night

Revenue from the annual Fireman's Ball being held by the fire department at the I.O.O.F. hall Saturday night is to be used to purchase jumpers for the firemen, which are trouser and boot combinations which can be used for night calls and will make it possible to answer calls much more quickly.

With the enlarged department, other equipment also is needed to carry on the work in the most efficient manner.

More Trees Available

The first thousand Port Orford cedars placed at The Eagle office for free distribution by Crown Zellerbach's Columbia Tree Farm were all given out during the first week and a second supply was made available. Some trees still remain at the office for persons who wish to call for them.

Survey of Area Due Thursday

P. S. McCallister, head of the department of business administration of Lewis and Clark college, with a field crew will come to Vernonia Thursday of next week, April 28, at 1 o'clock to begin an industrial survey of this area.

The survey will be conducted to assemble data giving information as to the availability of the labor pool of this area. Later Thursday, McCallister will talk to a group of women who will conduct the survey in residential areas about techniques of the survey, enabling them to carry on the program most efficiently.

This survey is being conducted for and through the efforts of the Vernonia chamber of commerce. The data gathered will be tabulated by Remington Rand. Upon completion of the survey and tabulation, the data will be incorporated in a brochure which can be forwarded to industrial organizations interested in locating in the Pacific Northwest.

Robert McCoy, executive secretary of the Oregon Economic Development commission, recently stated in a talk in Portland that immediate industrial growth in this section of the state can be anticipated.

Much of the work of preparing questions for the industrial survey to take place next week has been done by Frank Seelye, former Vernonia resident who was then manager of West Oregon Electric Cooperative.

P.T.A. Officer Slate Unfilled

A very enjoyable program, "Kindergarten Calendar" was presented at the P.T.A. meeting last Monday evening by about 25 kindergarten children from the morning group under the direction of Mrs. Wilma Thompson, kindergarten teacher. A good crowd filled the kindergarten room for the presentation.

During the election of officers which followed the program, Mrs. Launee Miller was elected secretary and Miss Leimkuhler, treasurer. The offices of president and vice-president were not decided and an election for those positions will be held at the next meeting May 16 at which time officers will also be installed.

Mrs. James Smith and Mrs. Robert Lindsay were elected as delegates to the annual convention of the Oregon Congress of Teachers and Parents to be held in Portland April 26, 27 and 28. Mrs. L. L. Wells will also attend this meeting.

Uniform Fund Given Boosts

The high school band uniform fund was given boosts from two sources last Saturday night. \$156 was realized from the dance sponsored by the Odd Fellows and \$40 was netted from the card party given at the VFW hall by the Altar Society of St. Mary's Parish.

This coming Saturday, the American Legion Auxiliary will hold a food sale at Bush furniture store for the same benefit.



DOROTHY GWIN was elected May queen at Vernonia high school last Wednesday and will reign over Mayday festivities May 5. Her court will include: seniors Sharlee Powers and Margaret Buckley; juniors, Sharon Gwin and Pat Brissett; sophomores, Donna Buckley and Bonnie Russon and freshmen, Darlene Bernardi and Carolyn Heath.

Civil Defense Interest Grows

Increased interest in civilian defense was shown locally last Thursday evening when a good audience was present at the Washington school for the showing of two films concerning the atom and hydrogen bomb. One film showed the bombing of the Japanese cities during World War II and the other dealt with self preservation in case of attack. Here to explain the films were Lt. Lew Ayers and Sgt. Noble from the Portland air base.

These men said that an atom bomb equals 40 thousand tons of T.N.T. and a hydrogen bomb would equal 10 million tons and could kill at a distance of 25 miles.

In case of attack, one of the greatest problems here would be food and water supplies. Food in cans or jars would probably be good, but all water except that in tanks shut off from the source of supply would probably be contaminated. They advise the storing of a 72 hour food supply in some safe place, but local civil defense authorities are recommending that every family store a 10 day supply of food.

The men expressed desire to get observers in this area to help report aircraft and asked for people interested, especially farmers, to leave their names with Bill Horn so that they may be contacted by observer officials.

State Highway Meet Attended

Art Ostrander and Gene Drips attended a recent meeting of the Oregon State highway commission to add their support to that of the Washington County Highway Lifesavers committee in efforts to get an overpass or interchange set up at the point where Sunset highway and Wilson River highway intersect. Committees are seeking to have this done before the Wilson river link is opened to avoid disaster at that point.

Decision on the matter is expected when the commission meets again May 25 and 26.

First Vaccine Here

The first Salk polio vaccine was received here Wednesday afternoon at the Vernonia Drug company, Jack Thompson, manager, announces. This first shipment was sufficient for the treatment of two people.

Students Visit Colleges

A number of seniors from Vernonia high school are visiting campuses of state institutions of higher learning this week end to get previews of college life which will help them in deciding the school to choose for further study.

Petitions Ask Changes for Union High Boundary

Petitions were circulated here this week relating to changes in boundaries of the present Union High School district. One asked for a date to be set for an election at which voters would decide on the inclusion of Birkenfeld in the district instead of in

the non-high school district as at present. Similar elections are also being asked in St. Helens to consolidate areas adjacent to them so that the non-high district would be eliminated.

The other two petitions asked changes in boundaries between the St. Helens and Vernonia districts to transfer to St. Helens some areas more accessible to them in exchange for other areas in locations more properly included in the Vernonia district. The transfers would adjust pupil transportation problems.

Elmer Bergerson Rites Wednesday

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the First Christian church here for Elmer Bergerson who passed away last Friday night at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland following a lingering illness. He had made a trip to Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota in February.

Mr. Bergerson was born February 3, 1901 to Johanna and Peter Bergerson at their home in the Kist district eight miles south of Vernonia on Timber road and he had lived in that district all of his life.

On May 2, 1923 he was married to Blanche Easterly who survives him. Also surviving are three sons, Ralph E. of Vernonia; Frank Melvin who is in the navy on the USS Lofton and Donald V. who received his discharge from the army April 2 because of his father's illness. His only daughter, Evelyn Louise, preceded him in death in 1940.

Also surviving are one granddaughter, Kathryn Faye Bergerson; two sisters, Mrs. J. E. Tapp of North Plains and Mrs. C. E. Lintner of Hillsboro and three brothers, Cass of Vernonia; Victor of Portland and Capt. Percy N. Bergerson on the Sword Knot.

Rev. Ervin Leake officiated at the service and pall bearers were Vester Christensen, George Johnson, Kenneth Davidson, T. F. Keasey, Ferd Mantei and Shalmon Libel.

Bush Funeral home was in charge of arrangements and burial was in the Vernonia Memorial cemetery.

Senior Play Friday Night

The senior play will be presented in the high school auditorium Friday night at 8:00 o'clock and promises an evening of excellent entertainment for all who attend.

The play, "Tiger House," is a mystery-comedy that is full of suspense, thrills, comedy and romance. All this is climaxed by an unexpected ending which will send the audience home still wondering just what happened.

Much time and effort has been spent on preparation of the play both in rehearsal and preparation of lighting and stage sets.

Pix in Magazine

The April issue of Forestry Digest, official publication of the American Forest Products Industries, Inc., Washington, D. C., carries a picture of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Floeter. The three sisters, Catherine, 14, Karen, 11, and Carol, 5, are shown looking at the Floeters' new tree farm sign which marks their 637-acre West Coast Tree Farm.

Phone Service Topic of Meeting

Representatives of the state utilities commissioner's office will meet with residents of the Nehalem Valley at 8:00 p.m., Monday, April 23, in the Winema grange hall, Birkenfeld, to discuss telephone service for that area, according to Don Coin Walrod, county extension agent.

Everyone living in the area that might be served by telephones should attend this meeting if at all possible, according to Walrod, who has been working with Mrs. Inger Ashley, Robert Berg, the Farm Home and Rural Life Council, and others interested in telephones in the area.

Bank Deposits Show Increase

With more than 15 per cent increase in deposits during the past 12-month period, the United States National bank reported deposits totaling \$746,670,836 on April 11.

Deposits for the Vernonia branch now stand at \$1,577,052.51, George A. Remnant, manager stated.

Indicative of U. S. National's financing service to the state, total loans and discounts during the same 12-month period increased \$36,541,951 and now aggregated \$277,849,699.

One of the leading banks in the nation, U. S. National now lists total resources of \$809,825,871 as compared with \$701,180,584 a year ago.

Continuing its policy of providing complete and modern banking facilities in Oregon, the U. S. National added 15 new branches during the past 12 months and now serves the state with 60 banking offices.

Oregon's only home-owned and home-operated bank that is statewide in service, U. S. National is vitally interested in the further development of this area and the state.

Farm Forest Men View Tree Farm

Sixty-eight persons representing the farm forestry committees and their respective county agents from 11 counties in western Oregon visited the operations of the Columbia Tree Farm Tuesday of this week. Counties represented were Clatsop, Columbia, Clackamas, Marion, Linn, Polk, Benton, Lane, Coos, Yamhill and Douglas.

After visiting the second-growth thinning operations on the Columbia Tree Farm the group visited the Enchanted Forest Christmas Tree Farm of Mark Heckman near Chapman and the timber harvest tract on the fair grounds at Deer Island.

Dinner was served the group by the Columbia county farm forestry committee at the fair grounds.

On Wednesday the group visited the J. C. Skeans operation near Fern Hill and the Jack Crawford thinning operations near Mist.

Stock District Favored

Voters in precinct 3 who reside within the proposed Meadow Livestock district voted favorably Tuesday 11 to 7 to form the district. The district will prohibit livestock from running at large.