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Governor's Plans Outlined

Harry R. Swanson, administrative assistant to Governor Robert D. Holmes, was guest speaker at the second annual dinner meeting of the Highway 99W Alternate Road association held at Vernonia March 13, which was well attended by people from Hillsboro, Banks, Gaston, Yamhill, Carlton, Newberg, Astoria and Longview, Washington. The dinner was served by the Rainbow Girls at the Masonic temple.

Mr. Swanson spoke of the work of Governor Holmes toward establishing a planning and development department for the state and other plans toward getting a fair share of industry for Oregon. According to complaints received by his office, the reasons Oregon has not secured many new industries are not enough cheap power, transportation costs and high Oregon taxes. He feels that with the new economic program being set up by Governor Holmes with a trained specialist in charge, assistance and coordination in these three major problems can be secured and industry can be attracted to Oregon.

Mr. Swanson also said that full cooperation is being given in all departments, whether appointed or inherited, and that Governor Holmes is trying to put into effect the points made in his campaign talks.

ROADS TO BE FEATURED

James Stannard, association director, reported that on April 21, the Northwest section of the Oregonian will carry a feature story on the area covered by highway 18 from McMinnville to the coast and the twenty miracle miles from Oceanlake to Newport. Also featured will be the Portland-Seimon River cutoff and the route covered by the Highway 99 W Alternate Road association from McMinnville through For-



HARRY W. SWANSON, speaker at the dinner of Highway 99W Alternate Road association, and Art Ostrander, seated, president.

est Grove, Vernonia and across the Longview bridge to highway 99 at Kelso.

Art Ostrander, Vernonia, was re-elected president of the association for a third term, a position he has held since it was first organized. Other officers named were Ralph Kletzing, Carlton, vice-president; Mona Gordon, Vernonia, secretary; and Everett Haney, Forest Grove,

James Stannard, McMinnville and Lawrence Kummer, Gaston, directors for a three year term.

Mr. Ostrander gave a summary of the years activities and urged the group to increase membership, advertise the roads and keep striving for the ultimate goal of an alternate 99 highway through this route.

The next quarterly meeting will be at Yamhill June 12.

35-Year Resident Buried Tuesday

James Ross Lee, 74, a resident of Vernonia for the past 35 years passed away at his home in Vernonia Friday morning, March 15, following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 19 at 1:30 at the Nazarene church in Vernonia with concluding rites and interment at the Forest View cemetery, Forest Grove.

The Rev. Harry Burk, pastor of the Nazarene church, officiated at the services with Fuiten's Chapel in the Grove mortuary, Forest Grove in charge of arrangements.

Casket bearers were Brady Waters, Jueles Matzek, Lloyd and John Blain, Herbert Sturdevant and Alfred Bayes, with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Russell serving as a vocal duet at the services.

Mr. Lee was a native of Ontario, Canada where he was born December 3, 1882, and lived there until moving to Vancouver Island in 1913. In 1919 he came to the United States, living at North Plains and then at Gales Creek before moving to Vernonia 35 years ago.

He was united in marriage to Ella Randie at Hamilton, Ontario, on June 8, 1908 who preceded him in death here in 1939. On December 20, 1944 he was married to Mrs. Pauline Martig at Vancouver, Washington who survives.

Also surviving are six children: two sons, Howard R. Lee of Portland and James R. Jr. of California; four daughters, Mrs. Joseph (Ruth) Beasley and Mrs. Charles (Vern) Vlad, both of San Diego, Mrs. Jueles (Elizabeth) Matzek and Mrs. Brady (Lorraine) Waters, both of Forest Grove. Another son, John J. Lee was killed at Weaverville, California three months ago.

Historical Meet At Beaver Homes

The Columbia County Historical society will meet Saturday, March 23, at the Beaver Homes Grange hall. There will be a potluck dinner at noon and business session and program in the afternoon. The meeting is open to all interested persons.

Riders Slate Club Meeting

The date was set earlier this week for a meeting of people who belong or are interested in belonging and participating in the activities of the Vernonia Ridge Riders by Bob Thompson, president of the group.

Anyone interested in riding is welcome to be present at the session which will take place Tuesday of next week, March 26, at the West Oregon Electric office starting at 8 p.m.

At this meeting an attempt will be made to build up club activity, to prepare for a parade which will open this year's paint-up, fix-up campaign and plan for riding club events proposed for the three-day July 4 celebration.

Thompson pointed out that people interested in joining the club may do so at a lower fee than has been charged formerly. Initiation costs \$1.50 per family and monthly dues are now 25c per person. Previously the charge was \$3 and 50c monthly.

Family Living Class Completed

The Family Living class which was taught by Mrs. Ora Bolmeier, was concluded March 8, which was the last of eight class sessions for the group. Members of the class expressed much appreciation to Mrs. Bolmeier who had given her time without remuneration. All felt that it had been a worthwhile experience in adult education.

Those who completed the class were Mesdames Marvin Kamholz, Guy Harris, Art Davis, R. L. Thompson, Ralph Reynolds, Howard Carter, Bernard Lampson, Roy Cook, Wilma Thompson, Dan Lawler, James Davies, Earl King, Marvin Meyer, Ruth Sullivan, Glen Hawkins, Charles Minger, Loren Ellis Jr. and Herb Heckenlaible.

Parking Rule Restriction Area Extended

Planning Commission Organization Dated For Next Thursday

Nine items of business were considered by city councilmen when they met Monday for their second March session and the slate for the evening's business was cleared by 9:30, the earliest hour for adjournment since the present council took office.

Jay Hall and Leonard Rauch asked council consideration on establishing two-hour parking on Second street between Maple and Bridge streets and the request was approved on motion and second by Councilmen Charley Hickman and H. H. Sturdevant.

BOARD MEMBER NAMED

A library board recommendation of the appointment of Mrs. O. T. Bateman to the library board was also approved to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. George Remnant.

Councilmen rejected a request by Bert Brunsmann for financial aid for the paint-up, fix-up campaign, pointing out that it would be unethical for the city to spend tax money on a project of this kind.

Another decision concerning the need for another city truck was accomplished by an order to repair the old truck formerly used by Frank Slemmons, cemetery sexton instead of purchasing a later model. This decision was reached after the council heard two quotations on pick-up trucks of \$1095 and \$1295 from Bill Wilson, Vernonia Auto company salesman. The council also ordered Slemmons to determine the amount of repairs needed on the garage at the cemetery and report at the next meeting.

LEASE CONSIDERED

Pursuant to a request at a previous meeting concerning a lease of the airport to those flying planes off the field, councilmen issued an order to Attorney C. F. Bradley to prepare such a lease for future consideration.

Another order was issued authorizing publication of a notice concerning delinquent water user accounts. The notice appears elsewhere in this edition and explains a procedure that will be followed in the future in handling collections.

CONNECTIONS ORDERED

County Sanitarian Clarence W. Clark appeared before the council to tell them all houses, where feasible, must be connected to sewer mains very soon or state authorities will force these connections made. The city has already sent final notices to the 13 owners of property not yet using city sewer service.

Five men appointed two weeks ago to the newly organized city planning commission were present Monday to accept their appointments and to decide on the date of March 28 when they will elect officers and begin planning work.

Cub Scout Troop 201 Host to Sunset Trail Roundtable

On Tuesday, March 12, a Cub Scout Roundtable for the Sunset Trail district met at the Washington school. This is the first time Vernonia Troop 201 has been host to the group consisting of representatives from Washington county troops and the local troop. The roundtable, primarily a training course for Cub Scout leaders and Den Mothers, develops a given theme of the month as projects for the various dens.

The classic, "Swiss Family Robinson" was the subject Tuesday night with a resume of the story given as a TV play. Scoutmaster John Harris acted as M.C. with Mrs. Harris, Margaret Hartzell, Irene Meyer, Bob Lindsay and Ilene Larson manipulating characters and scenes on the clever shadow box.

Following the play, the group visited four projects developed. Irene Meyer and Chuck Johnson cleverly depicted the shipwreck on a simulated ocean and the island on which the family later made their home, including palm trees and animals. Margaret Hartzell and Lige Robinson used housing for the shipwrecked family as their project. Authentic looking palm trees, a tent and a real log cabin, which Mr. Robinson and some of the boys built gave that picture.

Celebration Name Chosen By Group; Suggestions Offered for July 4 Event

The need to select a name for the proposed 3-day July 4 celebration being considered by this community was the main item of business last Friday at a session of the planning committee. By choosing the name Friday and forwarding it to the Oregon state highway department immediately, Vernonia's celebration will receive state and national recognition not possible otherwise.

Committeemen present considered ten suggestions and decided on a combination of several of them in selecting "Vernonia Friendship Jamboree" as the title. Heading preparation details for the celebration is planning committee of Louis Towne, Jack

U of O Choir to Be Here Tomorrow

The 70 voice University of Oregon choir directed by Max Risinger will present a concert at Vernonia high school Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. The public is invited to attend and no charge is being made.

Included in the program will be Then Round The Starry Throne, Handel; Psalm 150, Norton; selections from Ceremony of the Carols, Benjamin Britton and a number of Fred Waring arrangements.

This choir has been selected for a guest appearance at the Northwest Music Educators conference to be held at Boise this year.

Tax Assistants At Hillsboro

According to an announcement from the office of Ralph C. Granquist, district director of the internal revenue service in Oregon, offices are being opened throughout the state to give assistance to income tax payers.

Office most convenient to people in this area will be Hillsboro where consultants will be at 205 U. S. National bank building Mondays, March 25 and April 1, and every day except Sunday from April 8 through 15.

Kindergarten Entertains

Pupils from the morning kindergarten presented a clever program at the P.T.A. meeting Monday evening. It was entitled, Around The Clock, and showed what they did throughout the day at kindergarten. The program was directed by Mrs. Wilma Thompson, kindergarten teacher.

Seniors Prepare Play

Seniors at VHS have begun intensive practice on the play, Me and My Shadow, a comedy, which they will present April 6. Carlton Moran is coach.

Thompson, Pete Brunsmann, Bill Horn and Sam Hearing Jr., this group having met prior to Friday to decide on some of the events to be staged. Their list, including various suggestions by individuals at earlier meetings, is: swim meet, golf tournament, parade, picnic, fireworks display, band concert, logging display, mill open house, tree farm tour, barbecue and entertainment for youngsters.

Many organizations in town have indicated they will assist in setting up concessions such as trap shoot, hot dog stand, games of chance and rides for youngsters. Along with consideration of this part of the event, a motion was adopted specifying no concessions will be allowed at the celebration other than those sponsored by a recognized local group. No outside carnival attractions will be permitted.

Publicity to properly promote the event and assure a large attendance brought such suggestions as: wearing of an appropriate costume; visits to other towns in the county and announcement of the event over Hillsboro and Forest Grove radio stations.

Further planning is scheduled for Friday, March 29, at the West Oregon building, this being the next meeting date.

Former Teacher Author of Book

A recent announcement was made in the Education News published by the Oregon State department of education that Enoch Dumas who taught here in the elementary schools during the 1930's, had written an unique book, Arithmetic Games, for use in kindergarten and through the sixth grade. His belief is that games should be a part of the teaching-learning situation but that they should add to rather than subtract from the efficiency of teaching.

The book is available from Fearon Publishers in San Francisco.

Band Members to Go to Festival

Six members of the Vernonia high school band have been chosen to participate in the Music in May festival at Forest Grove May 9, 10 and 11. They are Dane Brady, Darlene Bernardi, Donna Buckley, Jim Davis, Julia Waite and Jan Garner.

Music will be sent to them to practice preparatory to the event and the festival will feature both a band and orchestra in which musicians from school throughout the state will participate.

Cub Scout Troop 201 Host to Sunset Trail Roundtable

John Harris and Ilene Larson had two games which afforded much amusement.

Mrs. Dan Lawler registered each guest who pinned on a miniature foot print with his name. Nora Redmond made these; Fred Roediger made huge footprints on the floor guiding the guests to the various activities.

Big straw hats and other semblance of native attire were worn by the hosts to further the atmosphere of a tropic island.

A large assortment of cookies made by the mothers of the Vernonia Cub Scouts and coffee were served at the close of the evening.