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## Logging Events on 4th Promise High Entertainment with Five Events, Prizes Now Scheduled

Aspirants for the \$25 first prize offered in the log birling contest on July 4 are giving International Paper company employees some good laughs as they catch moments to practice on logs in the mill pond. Reports are that some of them are becoming quite accustomed to being all wet.

Terry Brady, chairman of the logging events committee, has announced that there will be five contests on the afternoon of the Fourth with a \$25 first prize in each event and second and third prizes of merchandise. Events scheduled are trailer backing, log truck and trailer; power saw falling, 7 to 9 horsepower falling of 44 to 48 inch tree; power saw bucking, 7 to 9, 6 and 3 horsepower; eye splicing, seven eighths inch line, three-tuck eye; and the birling. Persons interested in registering for any of these events should contact Terry Brady now. The log birling will be done in the city park pool.

### WINDOW DISPLAYS GROW

The window display committee, Dr. Art Ostrander, Mrs. George Biddle and Mrs. Dean Wood, have been busy this week arranging for exhibits and have located some very interesting and unusual ones about which most Vernonia residents have not known. They promise interest for both local people and visitors: A complete directory of the exhibits will be published before the Fourth. Best window display is to be given special recognition, also.

Mrs. C. C. Fugate who is in charge of the art and hobby exhibits which will be shown in the old post office building plans to be there every day from July 1 through the Jamboree to receive and arrange displays and care for them as they are being viewed. She suggests that children who wish to visit the displays do so on July 3.

To correct an error made last week, the band concert which will be given at 7 p.m. July 4 will be on the lawn at the Washington grade school and will pre-

## Rock Hounds Bid To Meet Friday

All persons interested in the organization of a Rock or Agate club here are invited to attend a meeting at the West Oregon building Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock when delegates from the Rock club at Tectronix near Beaverton will be here.

Mrs. Albert Schalock is making arrangements for the meeting and a number of Vernonia people have already indicated interest in having a club here. Plans are for a small membership fee, probably not to exceed a dollar, Mrs. Schalock indicated.

## Highway 99W Alternate Road Group Presents Ideas at Yamhill Meeting to Promote Route; Toll Rates Talked

The Highway 99W Alternate Road association met at Yamhill Wednesday night for its regular quarterly dinner meeting. They were welcomed by Keith Schrepel, secretary-treasurer and director of the association.

No formal program had been planned, but a good round table discussion followed the dinner with good suggestions and ideas coming from it.

George Zimmerman, Yamhill, told of the work of a group started 31 years ago that is finally seeing its dreams come true, that of a road from Yamhill through to the Nestucca valley and the coast for which contracts will be let soon.

Judge R.E. Renne and Cliff Elliott, McMinnville chamber manager; Charles Teegarden, county commissioner, Wm. H. Bennett and Ron Miller, new owners of the Carlton - Yamhill Review;

cede the fireworks.

John Harris who is in charge of the swimming contest that will be held the morning of the Fourth has announced that there will be events for three age groups with three prizes offered in each group.

### KIDDY RIDES SECURED

Confirmation was given at the meeting of the Jamboree committee last Thursday evening that Jack O'Brien of Portland would bring three rides concessions here for the three days. They will be a train ride, an airplane ride and a pony ride.

The Stardusters, dance band from Pacific University, has been secured to play for the street dance that will be held Saturday evening, July 6. In case of inclement weather, it will be moved to the Legion hall. Of special interest locally is the fact that Dane Brady, as a result of auditions last week, has been selected to play in the Stardusters band during the summer.

As a result of the publicity in the Portland papers Monday, the wooden nickels have gained in popularity with letters coming from various places asking for some and one request for a pair of earrings from a woman at Seaside who has a very large and interesting collection which she has had on display there during the Miss Oregon pageant. As a further promotion in this line, Janelle Thomas is in Portland today to purchase a ticket on the excursion train with wooden nickels. As a reminder, tickets for the train ride are on sale at the S.P. and S. depot here, but require the coin of the realm rather than wooden nickels.

### PARADE ENTRIES WANTED

Parade plans are shaping up, also, with a band and color guard parade planned on the Fourth, the kiddies pet and costume parade on Friday, July 5, and the grand parade on July 6, Saturday. Bob Thompson is chairman of the committee for the Saturday parade and persons and organizations who will enter floats, marching units or drills should contact him as soon as possible. In order to make it a GRAND parade, there must be a lot of entries that are interesting to view.

Groups still wanting concessions should see Pete Brunzman. Plans are underway for a pancake breakfast, with details as to who will serve it, time and place to be announced later.

Eight trophies and 32 ribbons are being offered for events in the horse show that will be staged Saturday afternoon, according to Bob Thompson, chairman of that event.

The Jamboree committee will meet again tonight at the West Oregon building and all committee members and others who have ideas to help put the Jamboree over are urged to attend.

## Five Juniors Attend State Training Week

Three girls and two boys from Vernonia were among the high school juniors from all over Oregon who were participating in citizenship training last week in the Girls and Boys State programs on the Willamette University campus at Salem and the Oregon State college campus at Corvallis.

Carolyn Heath, Julia Waite and Helen Mills of Birkenfeld were at Salem for the Girls State sessions which drew attendance of 248 girls from all over Oregon. For the week they were there, they became parts of a mythical state in which county and city governments were set up and officers for them elected as well as for the state government. One of the most memorable sessions was held in the state capitol building Thursday when the Girls State governor was inaugurated. Governor Robert D. Holmes was guest speaker.

One of the most impressive meetings was held Saturday evening when all the girls gathered in the rotunda of the capitol for a candle light service. The thrill of the setting and the echoing of their singing in the capitol dome made it especially memorable for the girls. Helen Mills and Carolyn Heath were elected as representatives, also.

Jim Nanson and Byron Hawkins were the boys who attended Boys State at Corvallis. They lived in the main men's dorm and were among 400 boys participating in the program. They were on a full schedule beginning with reveille in the morning and ending with taps for lights out at night. They were required to make their own beds and clean their rooms and had marching drills, calisthenics and flag raising ceremonies, so said they felt a bit like they were in the army.

There were daily assemblies and classes in politics, American history and American government. These were all put to practical use in the setting up of local, county and state governments during which elections were held and mythical governments carried out.

One day, the members of Boys State visited the capitol at Salem and also met with the Girls Staters for a social time.

Sponsors of the delegates from here were American Legion auxiliary, Julia Waite; Mt. Heart Rebekah Lodge, Helen Mills; PEO Sisterhood, Carolyn Heath; Legion, Jim Nanson and Lions club, Byron Hawkins.

At the same time that the Boy Staters were on the OSC campus, there were over 1800 4-H club members at their summer school. Entire list of club members from here who were attending is not yet available.

## BUDGET, DIRECTOR DECISIONS DUE

### County Development Commission Asks Aid for Experiment Farm Effort

Representatives from the Granges in Columbia county and other interested groups are especially invited to attend a meeting of the Columbia County Development commission which will be held here at the West Oregon meeting room next Wednesday evening, June 26 at 8 o'clock.

### Legion, PeeWees Meet Defeats

Vernonia ball teams were again on the short end in the scoring during the past week end. Ten errors and some very good pitching beat Vernonia Legion Juniors 11 to 0 at Astoria Sunday. Final tallies were as follows:

	R	H	E
Astoria	11	5	0
Vernonia	0	4	10

Astoria pitchers were Osmus 6, Paulson 1 and Thom. For Vernonia, R. Huntman pitched 3, Baker 3 and M. Mullins 1.

The Legion Juniors played Scaside on the local field last evening and play Scappoose here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in a make-up game for the one rained out last Wednesday.

The PeeWees also had their troubles when they played at Clatskanie suffering a 15 to 1 defeat. Vernonia pitchers were M. Crowston, Ray Hammett and Olson. Apparently some of the other schools in the county have baseball programs in the spring which gives those boys a big advantage over Vernonia. The PeeWees will entertain Rainier on the high school field Friday evening at 6:30 and will go to Scappoose Monday evening for a game starting at 7:00 p.m.

## Store Announces Change of Plan

A new feature for customers of Brunzman Hardware is being announced this week by the owner to replace the profit-sharing selection of numbers in which customers have participated for the past two years.

The last selection of numbers will take place June 29 and the new feature, Bonanza Buys, will begin July 5. On that day the first 200 ladies visiting the store will receive a valuable gift free as an opening feature of the new profit-sharing plan.

Bonanza Buys will feature throughout the store many merchandise items at wholesale or less than wholesale prices and will provide greater savings to customers than the \$25 formerly given away each week. The new plan will make possible a more equitable distribution of the profit-sharing plan.

## McDonald Gets Director Post

Ron McDonald of Keasey route was named director for elementary school district 47 Jt. at the election held Monday. He will serve for five years.

A total of 103 votes were cast Monday with 51 for McDonald, 49 for Dave Brunzman and three write-in votes for Glen Hawkins.

### Lions Plan for Picnic

Lions club members and their families will picnic at the city park Monday evening for their last meeting of the year. Scheduled for 6:30 is a softball game to be followed by the picnic at 7. The club will serve hot dogs for the youngsters. Steel doors were installed recently on the three community kitchen fireplaces by Welcome Rumbaugh.

The approval of a substantially reduced budget and the selection of a member for the board of directors will be placed before the voters of the Union High School district Monday, June 24 at the high school. The term of Oscar G. Weed, director, expires June 30. Polls will be open between the hours of 2 and 8 p.m.

The budget, which appeared in detail in a recent issue, features a reduction of \$8,192.00 in the general fund and a reduction of \$13,255.05 in the total estimated tax levy. This would reduce the rate from the current 47.9 mills to an estimated 41.1 mills. Whatever additional funds the district may receive as a result of the recent increase in the basic school support fund enacted by the state legislature will by law be used to reduce this levy still lower.

The budget committee, composed of directors Oscar Weed, Antone Smejkal, Sam Hearing Jr., Claude Johnson and Howard Jones together with Richard Fletcher, Robert Mathews, E. T. (Boone) Johnson, Joe Johnston and Bill Horn, set the budget and turned down a special request for funds to build a tennis court.

In detail the budget shows no increase in the allowance for teachers although the teachers received a \$200 raise for next year. This was offset by a reduction in the number of staff members. Operation and maintenance costs are higher and expansion of bus service according to state law has increased the budget need for transportation.

Capital outlays were reduced \$11,792.00 to bare necessities. It was the budget board's opinion that further reductions could not be made without impairing the school's standard rating.

It is hoped that all legally entitled to vote who are interested in the well-being of schools will assume the responsibility of voting. Last year it required a second election to pass the budget and each election costs the district nearly \$300.

It should be noted of the levy to be voted, the "amount inside the 6 per cent limitation, \$27,403.58," which is known as the tax base, is less than half of the "amount outside the 6 per cent limitation, \$79,681.63," because the district was placed in the rural school district some years ago and thereby lost its accumulated "tax base."

A high tax base or a low tax base has absolutely no bearing on the actual amount of taxes to be levied, except that it gives a false appearance that a great excess above actual needs is being levied. A more realistic tax base can and should be established in a future election by a vote of the people.

Up to noon Wednesday, only one petition for director had been filed, that of Warren Aldrich. Other petitions could be accepted until Wednesday night and names may be written in on the ballot.

### Examiner Due June 28

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Vernonia Friday, June 28 at the city hall between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Purpose of the meeting is to lay out a program to be followed in an effort to have the proposed experiment farm located in this county.

The legislature, while in session, acted favorably on the bill authorizing establishment of a Northern Willamette Valley Experimental Farm and stipulated that it must be located in Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, or Washington county. It would be used for research work in cooperation with the central experiment station at Oregon State college, Corvallis. It is estimated it would spend about \$50,000 per year as an operating budget.

The June 26 meeting is open to all interested persons.

## Chief Resigns Department Job

One of the shortest council meetings of the year was held Monday evening with only a few items outside of routine business claiming the attention of the body.

Bob Thompson resigned as fire chief and recommended Bob Curl for the position. The recorder was instructed by the council to contact Curl as to his willingness to accept the job. If he consents, appointment will be made at the July 1 meeting. Mr. Thompson will serve until his successor is appointed.

No one was present to discuss the budget so it was approved by the council as it has been published.

Miss Margaret Miner was appointed as regular guard for the park pool and Judy Towne was named as her assistant. Hours that they will be on duty will depend on weather conditions, and parents should check when uncertain as to their being there. They will begin giving swimming lessons right away with time for the lessons being from 10 a.m. to noon. Lessons will be given free any week day the pool is open.

The council also ordered 25 mile per hour signs to be placed on Bridge street above Rose avenue because of many complaints of excessive speed in that area endangering children as well as other motorists.

## Freezer School Here Thursday

A freezer school will be conducted in the West Oregon Electric meeting room next Thursday, June 27, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. by Mrs. Margaret Allyn, county extension agent from St. Helens. The school is open to the public and will deal with the latest information on freezing of foods and will stress care and operation of freezers. Freezing of pre-cooked and prepared foods will also be featured.

## Work Starts on Fourth Concrete Bridge on Scappoose-Vernonia Road

The last of four bridges on the Scappoose-Vernonia road that were to be replaced was under construction last week as workers continued to build the concrete piling that would support the structure.

Work on the first of the four bridge projects, according to County Judge John Whipple started in 1956 and three of the bridges have been completed in that time. The new concrete bridges replace wooden structures.

All of the work is part of a federal and state aid project in

which the federal government, the state and the county share in the expenses of the work. The contracts for the bridges were let by the state.

The latest bridge is expected to be completed around September 1 and is costing about \$24,000.

The cost of the entire four bridge project is about \$100,000, Judge Whipple said.

He added that the bridge now under construction would probably be the last one to be built on the Scappoose-Vernonia road for some time.