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## Road Paving Machine Purchased By Columbia County

A complete motor driven mixing and paving machine, part of a long range road building program for the county, arrived in St. Helens recently. The equipment was purchased at a cost of \$34,605.

According to County Judge Joan W. Whipple, it is the hope of the court to give better roads to the citizens of the county.

"With this new equipment we expect during its lifetime to re-seal and in many instances completely re-pave most of the 226 miles of worn out pavement we have and in addition to this long range paving program we hope to pay greater attention to proper road drainage," the judge said.

However, he added that the funds available for the 1957-58 fiscal year will only permit a limited amount of paving in each of the six road districts this year.

The new machine will be under the direction of Henry Luckner who will be in charge and operate it. Luckner, along with Louis Wasser and Ray Johnston, county commissioners, returned recently from Grants Pass where they studied both the machine's operation as well as roads built by it over recent years.

## Elody McDonald Succumbs Mon.

Funeral services will be held at the First Christian church here Friday at 2:00 p.m. for Elody Allen McDonald, known by his friends as Lode, who passed away Monday morning at his home at Yoncalla where he had lived for the past 12 years. He had been in failing health for a number of years.

Mr. McDonald was born at Alexandria, Nebraska on February 7, 1891. When a small boy his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. McDonald, came to Oregon and homesteaded on Fiddle Creek and it was there that he grew up.

He was married May 22, 1915 at American Falls, Idaho, and he and his wife made their home here for many years before moving to Yoncalla. He had engaged in farming and logging.

He is survived by his wife, Cecily, Yoncalla; three sons, Hugh of Roseburg and twins, Dan and Dick of Klamath Falls; a sister, Mrs. E. J. Bell, Klamath Falls; two brothers, Walter of Vernonia, and George, Gales Creek and four grandchildren.

Arrangements are being cared for by the Bush Funeral Home and burial will be in the Vernonia Memorial cemetery.

## Mrs. Cantwell Wins Radio

Mrs. Otto Cantwell was announced recently as the winner of a Sylvania inter-com radio which she won by entering a nationwide Rexall contest sponsored locally by the Vernonia Drug company.

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Judge Whipple said that the some make paver has been in use in several other counties of the state as well as in nearby Washington counties, including Josephine in Oregon and Cowlitz in Washington.

"The court for the past year has given serious study to a long range road building program which they hope will insure as good roads for this county as exist anywhere in the state," the judge continued.

He added that realizing that the present black topped county roads were in serious condition, the court set out to find the reason and with the help of engineers from the state highway department and their own road supervisors they found the reason.

## Lynott Slated on Dinner Program

Robert E. Lynott, weatherman seen on KOIN-TV at 6 o'clock nightly will be the guest speaker for the quarterly membership dinner meeting of the Vernonia chamber of commerce Monday night, July 22.

The Mountain Heart social club of the Rebekah lodge will prepare and serve the dinner in the IOOF hall and tickets will be on sale starting today.

Directors and committee chairmen of the chamber met Monday night, the main topic being that of the first Vernonia Friendship Jamboree. It was thought to be very successful and a happy time was had by those attending, with many former Vernonians being present.

The chamber wishes to thank the Jamboree committee and all of the events chairmen, as well as everyone who worked to make the affair successful. The good cooperation of all of the businesses, organizations and people of the Nehalem Valley was very gratifying.

## Saints Tabulate 14-4 PeeWee Win

Bill Vleck's PeeWees bowed to St. Helens Monday night by a score of 14 to 4 in a game played at St. Helens. Vleck attributed their loss to too many errors and loose fielding on the part of the Vernonia boys. However, they also hit better than they have in some previous games with six hits to their credit Monday. Jim Fletcher led the hitters with a double and a home run.

St. Helens scored in every inning and had chalked up eight scores before Vernonia pushed two across in the fourth inning. Their other two points were gained in the sixth.

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Pitchers: Vernonia: Hamnett, Justice, Crowston. St. Helens: Marson and Morris.

Vernonia will entertain Clatskanie on the local field next Monday evening at 6:30.

Whipple said that when the roads were paved originally the asphalt was spread thick enough for the then existing light traffic, but too thin for the heavy pounding they now receive with the big logging trucks and heavy transports.

As a result the paving wears full of holes each year and though thousands of dollars have been spent annually just trying to keep them patched up and in usable condition, he added.

"What has to be done one year in the way of repair has to be redone the next."

## County Agent Here Wed.

A representative from the county agents office will be at the West Oregon building each Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon and will be calling on farmers and gardeners where their service is needed in the afternoon. Persons who wish to consult them may go to the West Oregon building.

## PARTICIPATION IN ALERT ARRANGED

Information leaflets concerning the national Civil Defense exercise and CON-ELRAD test which will be carried out between July 8 and 12 have been distributed here by local civil defense authorities headed by Bill Horn. Only other part of the alert to be carried out here will be the sounding of the siren Friday at 8 a.m. when the short blasts will be used in case of a real alert or emergency.

## Perry Browning Rites Saturday

Perry Hiram Browning, 55, passed away Tuesday morning, while enroute to a Portland hospital after a long illness.

He was born May 15, 1902 at McCrea, Georgia and remained in the south until he was grown.

In 1926 he married Hilda Boeck and to this union was born one son, Otto.

Mr. Browning has lived in this vicinity for 33 years and worked many years in the local mill, but in the latter years he has followed construction work.

Surviving are his wife, Hilda; son Otto and grandson Glen of Portland; mother Mrs. Thedese Short and sister, Mrs. Marion Goodwin, Seattle; brother Frank, Portland; several half brothers and sisters in the southern states and brothers and sisters in this vicinity, among whom is Mrs. Grace Peachey.

Funeral services will be held at the Bush Funeral Home chapel Saturday at 2:00 p.m. and burial will be in the Vernonia Memorial cemetery.

## Winners Named For Celebration

A very good crowd of golfers, both local and from elsewhere, were at the Vernonia Country club last Thursday morning for the kickoff of the three-day celebration events. It was gratifying to have two Vernonia men uphold the honor of the town by taking first and second places in the men's handicap flag tournament. Connie Anderson shot a 65 for first, Loel Roberts, 68 for second, and Frank Arnet from East Moreland, Portland, 69 for third.

In the ladies' handicap, Erma Hartwick, Portland Country club, was first with a 72; and Evelyn Heath, Vernonia, second.

Other prizes included men's low gross, Bob Gill, Broadmoor, Portland, 73; longest drive, Kim Cole, East Moreland; and closest to pin, Leonard Scott, Clatskanie.

In the window displays which attracted much attention both locally and from visitors, grand sweepstakes went to the Study club for their around the world exhibit and ribbons were awarded in four classifications. Patriotic: First, Bill Nichols, war posters; second, Mrs. R. M. Burns, antique dolls and flag display; third, Cub Scouts, Hobbies; First, Wayne Welch, wildlife; second, Mrs. Cassie Livingstone, weaving; third, Mrs. Albert Huntley, Japanese dolls. Organizations: First, Study Club; second, Pythian Sisters; third, Eastern Star, Commercial; First, Grant Thayer, agates; second, Caylito candles and third, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. L. Carmichael, dolls and flowers.

In the swimming events, St. Helens boys and girls took all the trophies, but the two given for men's and women's free style were retained here. They were won by Al Greichus of Moscow, Idaho, brother-in-law of Jack Thompson who represented Vernonia Drug company and Julia Waite.

Other prizes were as follows: Men's free style, second, Dane Kendall, St. Helens; third, Pat Lloyd, Vernonia. Boys', first, Doug White, St. Helens; second, Kurt Eisenhardt, St. Helens; third, Wally Pollock, Vernonia. Girls', first, Violet Blackburn, St. Helens; second, Susan Hennessey, St. Helens; third, Carolyn Vike, Vernonia; junior boys', first, Mike Hennessey, St. Helens; Grant

Bowerman, Vernonia; Steven Gibson, Vernonia; junior girls', first, Sharon Tice, St. Helens; second, Sherry Shadley, St. Helens; third, Melody Ellis, The Dalles (formerly of Vernonia).

In the logging events, Claude Gibson Jr. (Bud) took top honors in the log burling with Bill Ferguson and Bill Pond in second and third places. In trailer backing, Don Tiffney was first, Pete White, second and Hugo Hill third. Power saw falling honors went to Bill and Gene Odam and second place to Don Wantland and Don Webb. Gene Odam was first in power saw bucking and Don Webb, second. In eye splicing, Dane Brady and his son Larry were first and Sam Smith and Snow Riding, second. In these events, a \$25 prize went to each first place winner and ribbons to the others.

Prizes were awarded Friday to youngsters who were in the parade and in other events as follows: Parade, first, (\$2.50), Sharon Aspinall and Phyllis Lines; second, (\$1.50) Kathy and Scotty Barker and Melodie Ellis; Greased pig, Doug Eggert, David Linn, Steve Bateman and Vern Smith divided \$3.00; in the chicken scramble, chickens were won by Hilda Markley, Diana Ritz, Erma Meyer and Diana Wolf; bicycle race winners were Steve Bateman, \$2.50; Johnny Shaw, \$1.50; Dave Foster, and Joyce Knowlton each \$1.00.

The parade Saturday was beyond expectations of the committee and really showed a lot of work on the part of many. Only regret is that those who watched it didn't show the appreciation they felt. Grand prize went to Carroll Buckley with his buckboard and six horse team; first to the band, second to Essie Nance's float and third to the Ridge Riders who blossomed out that day in aqua shirts and white hats. Honorable mention was given the First Christian church and the covered wagon entered by Brunsmann Hardware.

About 75 horses were at the park for the Saturday afternoon events with 37 participants. The events were all entertaining and enthusiastically received. Kathy Dickson, a 14 year old girl from the Columbia Riders club, St. Helens, entered both junior and senior events and went home with three of the trophies and a second place ribbon. Winners by events were: Pole bending, senior, first, Kathy Dickson; second, George Caldwell and third, Bob Dickson, all St. Helens; junior, first, Kathy Dickson; second, Doug Bustrin, Rainier and third, Eleanor Matney; Texas barrel race, junior, first, Kathy Dickson; second, Harry Molash; third, Sheryl Tarbell, all St. Helens; senior, first, Bill Stennick; second, Kathy Dickson and third, John Siedelman; tail race, first, Wilfred Holce and Bud Larson; second, Sonny Dass and Wesley Day; third, Bob Thompson and Cecil Markley; Saddle race, first, Wesley Day; second, John Siedelman; third, Skip Knutson; Takem or leavem, first, Vernonia Ridge Riders; second and third, teams from Columbia Riders, St. Helens; Barrell race, first John Siedelman; second Bob Thompson and third, Wilfred Holce.

The double header ball game played between the Portland City team and the Longview Amadons resulted in a 1 to 3 victory for Longview in the first game and a 4 to 2 victory for Portland in the second.

Music provided by the Stardusters for the street dance was excellent to provide a fitting conclusion to a good celebration.

## Boys Enter Air Force

Four Vernonia boys left Portland Monday for Lackland AFB at San Antonio, Texas to begin training. They were James P. McFarland, Rob Roy Elliott, David Larry Cotton and Melvin Bailey.

## Golfers Challenged

Vernonia golfers have been challenged by Clatskanie for a match that will be played on the local course Sunday starting at 9 a.m.

Jamboree photo reprints available at The Eagle office.



INDICATIVE of interest in parade event of Jamboree was this float prepared for Essie Nance Beauty Shop which won second place award in judging. Preparation of float started shortly after midnight that morning.



GRAND PRIZE winner in Saturday parade on last day of Friendship Jamboree was six-horse team owned by C. E. Buckley. Earlier in week he had driven team in St. Paul Rodeo.