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All Expense Paid Trip to Disneyland Won by Boys

Two Vernonia boys will reap the reward next week for their efforts recently as carriers for the Oregon Journal, according to Howard Sampson, local Journal agent. Larry Larson, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Larson of Riverview, and Roy Reynolds, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reynolds who live on Rose avenue, will leave Thanksgiving night for an all expense paid week end trip by plane to Disneyland in Southern California.

The boys became eligible for the trip by each getting 60 new subscribers during a six-week period. Instead of taking com-

missions on these, they were credited toward their contest account.

The boys will board the plane in Portland Thanksgiving night along with other carriers and chaperones. At Disneyland, their hotel accommodations, food and rides are all paid for. They will spend Friday and Saturday taking in all the sights and will board the plane again Saturday night and get into Portland early Sunday morning.

Both Mr. Sampson and the boys expressed their great appreciation for the good support of the customers who made this trip possible for the boys.

County District Reorganization Group Elects Chairman, Discusses Projects

Glen Hawkins, Vernonia, was elected chairman of the Columbia county school district reorganization committee at the meeting held November 7 at the court house in St. Helens. Walter Erickson, Warren, owner of the Jewel Ice Cream company, is vice-chairman and Mrs. Lois Kent, county school superintendent, is secretary for the group. Other members of the committee are Dick Manick and Harold Davis, Clatskanie; Richard Peterson and Robert Mathews, Mist;

Robert Stennick, Hudson; Mrs. Hans Hovland, Rainier and Velden Anderson, St. Helens.

Also, at this meeting, the policies, minimum standards, objectives and criteria on district reorganization supplied by the state and materials supplied by the county superintendent's office were distributed to the board members for study. The magnitude of the work involved was discussed. The group also listened to a tape recording of a talk by Dr. C. W. Fitzwater of the United States office of education.

The next meeting will be a regional meeting in December when representatives from Clatsop, Clackamas, Columbia, Hood River, Washington and Multnomah counties will meet together.

The meetings are all open to the public and people are urged to attend them to become informed as to what the committee is doing and the job that is expected of them.

Awards Decided For Homes Work

Final report of the Paint-up, Fix-up, Clean-up committee this week named Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Burns as the winners in the home improvement contest. They received a merchandise certificate for \$20. In the commercial division, the Vernonia Trading company was judged first and awarded the certificate of merit.

For the yards, the committee gave careful consideration to overall appearance for the season and at the time of final judging and found the decision difficult but arrived at the following results: First, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Buckner, \$20 merchandise certificate; second, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Salomonson, \$10 merchandise certificate; third, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Moreland, \$5 merchandise certificate.

The committee also commended the city employees for the excellent job done around the city pumping plant which has been outstandingly attractive this year.

County Board to Meet

The Columbia county school board is meeting tonight at Rainier, and representatives from the Vernonia school boards are expected to attend.

25 Hopefuls Try for Berths on Logger Squad; 6 Lettermen Back

A total of 25 boys reported for the first basketball practice Monday afternoon and Logger Coach Kerry Moran began work immediately on conditioning drills and fundamentals. With the season's opening game against Banks only two weeks away Coach Moran will be selecting his top ten prospects by the end of this week.

Leading candidates for the varsity squad include six returning letter winners. Larry Akers, reserve center, and Jerry Dinger, reserve guard, are the only two senior lettermen. Junior lettermen include Bill Howard, speedy guard, sharpshooter Jim Nanson, Don Savage and Dick Crowston. Marion Knoll a hustling guard on the JV squad last year is the only other Senior to turn out. Fred Bender and Mike Mullins

are expected to make strong bids for varsity positions.

Of the eight freshmen who are out, Leonard Huntman and Craig Davies are prospects who may develop during the season into varsity material. Also reporting for practice include Marvin Mask, Elvin Stiff, Byron Hawkins, George Miner and Ted Bodenhamer, all with JV experience; Larry Hickman, Doug Bellingham, Larry Welch, Steve Bateman, Ron Dodson, Gary Dinger, Tom Watson and Neil Lloyd.

With most of last year's starting five lost by graduation and transfer, competition is expected to be keen for starting berths. Early season games will undoubtedly see a variety of combinations used in order to field the strongest team possible when league play begins in January.



ROY REYNOLDS



LARRY LARSON

Co-op Attracts 400 Saturday; Two Re-elected

One of the best attendances on record was chalked up at the annual meeting of the West Oregon Electric cooperative held last Saturday with 171 voting members registered and a total attendance of around 400. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hoag of Chapman were the first to register. They arrived here at 8:30 a.m. and for their efforts of being first in line, were awarded a portable mixer.

Previous to the opening of the meeting, Gorgee Smith of Timber route was sworn in to fill the vacancy created by the death of Guy Griffith of Timber. As a result of the election carried on that day, Fred Knox of Gaston and Ed Roediger Jr. of Vernonia were returned to positions on the board.

Other business of the day was a vote to change the meeting date to the first Saturday after the second Tuesday in October. Vote was 89 for the change and 9 against, with a number of those eligible to vote apparently not caring one way or the other.

This year for the first time, service pins were awarded to both employees of the company and the board members. John George, president of the National Rural Electric Cooperative association presented the pins to board members as follows: Lee Wooden, Jewell, treasurer, 15 year pin; Fred Knox, Gaston and Noble Dunlap, Vernonia, 10 year; Lyman Hawken, president, Vernonia; Fred Roediger Jr., vice-president, Vernonia and Lewis Kelly, secretary, Banks, five year pins.

Lyman Hawken, board president presented pins to the following employees: ten year, Warren Aldrich, Charles Hickman, Guy Thomas, George Koski and Joe Glendening; five year, Bob Pollock, Tracy Hanson, Claudine East and Wilbur Wilson.

Mrs. Margaret Allyn, county agent, did the cake judging and presented prizes to: Mrs. L. L. Wells, Vernonia, first, a mixer and Mrs. Anna Hanberg, Birkenfeld, second, a telephone number index.

Former members of the Nehalem Valley cooperative board who were introduced were James Cahill of Birkenfeld and Dexter Twombly and Lee Wooden of Jewell. This year marked the 20th anniversary of REA power in Oregon which was first supplied through the Nehalem Valley cooperative serving the Olney, Jewell, Elsie area. It was absorbed by West Oregon in 1945.

Mr. George, who was the principal speaker for the meeting, stressed the importance of the cooperatives and brought out the fact that they are no longer used mainly by farmers, but serve the city populations equally as much. He stressed the importance of informing all cooperative members of the problems and the benefits involved so that a better understanding of the operation of such an organization will result.

Mayor Donald Bayley gave the address of welcome and reports were given by President Lyman Hawken, Manager Guy Thomas and Treasurer Lee Wooden.

The afternoon concluded with the open house at the new West Oregon building.

Teachers Go to Conference

Several teachers from the Vernonia elementary schools were at St. Helens last evening for a meeting sponsored by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry which was designed to promote participation in the science fair.

Dove at Spokane Meeting

Eugene Dove, high school superintendent, spent Monday and Tuesday at Spokane with business pertaining to the Inland Empire Education association.

Absences At Normal

Attendance in the Vernonia schools was getting back to normal this week, with absences in both the high and elementary schools running at just about what is considered normal for this time of year. The Jewell school was closed Monday due to flu cases there but no later report has been received.

Schedules of events have now been revised and the assembly at the Washington school that had to be cancelled November 8 will be presented tomorrow. It includes the play directed by Mrs. Sandon, "The Talking Flag."

The junior play, "O Promise Me," has been moved to November 29 instead of November 22. Illness in the cast made the change necessary. And, the carnival which was cancelled November 15 is now planned for December 6.

Ernest Stacey Service Today

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the First Christian church for Ernest Arthur Stacey who passed away last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Van Wert on Keasey route after a brief illness. Mrs. Cassie Livingstone will officiate and music will be provided by Mrs. Frank Serafin, soloist, and Mrs. L. H. Thomas, pianist. Lodge rites will be conducted by Vernonia Odd Fellows Lodge No. 246 of which he was a life member. Burial will be at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery and the Futen's Chapel in the Hills mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Stacey was born August 10, 1890 in Canada. He spent most of his early life at Forestburg, South Dakota and came to Oregon in 1926 and had resided at Vernonia since that time. He had worked at the Oregon American mill here and the last few years had worked at Camp McGregor as carpenter until its closure this summer.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Edwards of Forestburg and three grandchildren, Dwayne, Lorraine and Pamela Edwards.

He also was a member of the Vernonia Eagles lodge and the Columbia Encampment No. 89.

Speaker Due for C of C Monday

Chamber of commerce members are reminded that W. G. Nibler from the Oregon state extension service will speak at the board of directors meeting at the West Oregon building next Monday evening in observance of Farm-City Relations week. The meeting is open to anyone who is interested.

PTA Panel Discussion Considered One of Most Interesting Topics

One of the most interesting PTA meeting on record here was held Monday evening at the Washington school with the program devoted to a panel discussion on understanding schools. Mrs. L. L. Wells acted as moderator and Mrs. Constance Wright, primary teacher; Mrs. Evelyn Heath, intermediate teacher; James Johns, upper grade teacher and Ralph Sturdevant, school board member, on the panel. Darrold Phoehl, school superintendent also discusses the new report cards.

After the panel members presented the various phases in their topic, the parents were divided into groups of five to talk over the subjects and formulate questions to present to the panel. The discussion was so interesting that it carried over into the

Benefit Fund At \$700 Mark For Club Work

A huge success is the report from the hotcake feed sponsored last Saturday at Kate's cafe by the Vernonia Lions club. They were kept busy all day and in addition to local folks and those in town for the West Oregon annual meeting, representatives from a number of other Lions clubs came and brought contributions from their clubs and one club that could not send a representative sent a check special delivery mail.

To add a bit of interest and draw attention to the affair, the Dixieland band from the high school played in front of the cafe for awhile during the morning.

Figures were not all complete when the club met Monday evening, but it is estimated that the amount will be in the neighborhood of \$700. Exact figures will be available next week.

Four representatives from the Longview Lions club attended the meeting here Monday evening. They were Sid Morton, Frank McCrumb, Max Moore and Jay Eastman and they commended the club for undertaking the project and for the way it had been put over. They also commended the community for their good response to the worthy cause.

The club made plans for the future Monday night which include a ladies' night December 9 and tentative plans for the Christmas decorations in the business area. Art Ostrander was appointed to head a committee for putting up the decorations and Bill Vleck will head the committee for taking them down after Christmas. Glen Hawkins, as has been his custom, will provide the trees used in the decorating.

W. G. Nibler, Oregon state extension service, will speak to the club next Monday evening in observance of Farm-City Relations week.

Ministers Slate Union Service

The Union Thanksgiving service which has been arranged by the Vernonia Ministerial association will be held next Tuesday evening, November 26, at the First Christian church at 7:30 p.m. Reverend Evren Harshman of Birkenfeld will speak and special music will be furnished by the Christian church.

The invitation to participate is extended to all people of the Nehalem valley.

Schools to Vacation

All Vernonia schools will close next Wednesday evening for the Thanksgiving week end holiday. Classes will resume Monday, December 2.