



Stork Delivers Two Girls, Boy

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sharar of Stoney Point road welcomed a daughter, Teresa Ann, July 29. Mrs. Sharar and the babe are now at home from Emanuel hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Sharar of Portland. The grandfather is now working in West Pakistan on the Mangle dam project. Mrs. Linnie Scott of Vernonia is the babe's great grandmother.

James Allen is the name of the son born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rainbolt of Vernonia Monday, July 30 at the Columbia District hospital, St. Helens.

An eight pound daughter, Rebecca Ann, arrived Friday, August 3, at the Vernonia Clinic for Mr. and Mrs. Jim McClendon of Keassey Rt. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Orr of Keassey Rt.

Couple Returns From Trip East

MIST—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dowling who recently returned from a trip to Missouri, visited his father and sister from Friday until Sunday when they returned to their home in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Devine and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Devine and family enjoyed a family picnic at the home of Edwin Danielson at Banks Sunday.

Mrs. Brower of Calif., mother of Mrs. Sulo Sanders, is spending some time at the home of her daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Shalmon Libel spent Sunday in Seaside where they visited his mother, Mrs. Clara Libel.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Rasmussen of Clatskanie were dinner guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hansen.

Mrs. Wayne Kyser and Mrs. Hugh Cox drove to Portland Monday, returning home Tuesday. Mrs. Cox went in for a check up.

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POST OFFICES OF EARLY DAYS

Pittsburg post office was located at the junction of East Fork of the Nehalem river with the Nehalem river at a point five miles northeast of Vernonia and was established on the Peter Brous homestead in his original home which consisted of a log cabin. It was served by carrier on foot or on horseback from Houlton (which is now West St. Helens) once a week.

A trail had been cut out of the wilderness and later a passable road was constructed. The Nehalem Valley pioneers furnishing the labor and the St. Helens and Houlton merchants furnishing the grub.

The date of the original opening of the Pittsburg post office was April 17, 1879 and it was closed on the 26th day of April, 1892. Peter Brous was its only postmaster. From the date of its closing its business was merged with Vernonia.

The name of the original post office was Pittsburg, named after the former home of Peter Brous which was Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, but the name was later changed to Pittsburg.

At the time of the residence of Peter Brous at Pittsburg, he operated a flouring mill and a saw mill by waterpower generated by a dam and water wheel in the east Fork of the Nehalem river, and later there was a sash and door factory which operated for many years before the turn of the century on the opposite bank of the Nehalem river, which rafted its product to Mist and thence by wagon and ox team to Clatskanie.

A covered wagon bridge spanned the Nehalem between the east and west banks of the Nehalem river and from the west bank of the Nehalem river a dirt and puncheon road served the early settlers along its route and it terminated at a point which is the present home of Everett Wood.

According to an account told to Joseph Van Blaricom who homesteaded the townsite of Vernonia, Peter Brous informed him that his family had owned a small flouring mill on a tributary of the Alleganey river a few miles upstream from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and after he had homesteaded at Pittsburg, Oregon, he had the small flouring mill dismantled and its machinery including the stone mill wheels shipped by barge down the Alleganey river, thence down the Ohio river to the Mississippi river, thence by sailing ship to the city of Portland where it was unloaded and hauled to Pittsburg to become the first flouring mill in the Nehalem Valley.

An interesting sidelight on this account is the fact that the two stone mill wheels, now resting in the Vernonia city park, are the identical mill wheels brought to the Nehalem Valley 90 years ago. Joseph Van Blaricom related this account of the stone mill wheels to the writer, Lester Sheeley, more, than sixty years ago. (Historical information supplied by Lester Sheeley.)

Hearings Join Oregon Trailers

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hearing Sr., who last year acquired a vacation trailer and started enjoying trips with it, are now members of the Oregon Trailer club. Recently, this group was host for a potluck dinner at Delta Park in Portland at which 93 trailers were entertained enroute to the Seattle fair.

The Hearings have enjoyed several trips with the group and have made many nice contacts.

Jamboree week end, the Hearings had as their guests here Mr. and Mrs. Ed Muster and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Cook, all from Portland.

Last Saturday, the Hearings left with their trailer for Siletz where they were to join the Cooks for two weeks.

Read the ads, it will pay you!

Pomona Meeting at Birkenfeld Recalls Events of Early Days

A welcome visitor at the meeting of Columbia County Pomona Grange at Birkenfeld Saturday, August 4 was State Grange Master Allen P. Wheeler, who was elected at the June session of the Oregon State Grange. Mr. Wheeler came to help celebrate the 60th anniversary of Columbia County Pomona Grange.

Loren Millimen, the new editor of the Grange Bulletin, also was a guest, and took pictures for the Grange paper, especially of the charter members of Winema Grange. Seven of these faithful members were present. There were no charter members of Pomona present.

Also, a picture was taken of the State Grange master, the Pomona master and Mrs. Alice Lindsay of Natal Grange. Mrs. Lindsay was honored recently by being awarded her 60th year pin.

The Grange historian told of the founding of Pomona Grange at Clatskanie on September 11, 1902, with 68 charter members. As far as is known, the only charter member still living is Mrs. Flora Stratton who is now a member of Aloha Grange in Washington county. She was Flora Young at that time and a member of Cedar Grove Grange near Clatskanie.

Winema Grange at Birkenfeld was organized in 1924 although there had been a Grange in that vicinity earlier known as the Fishhawk Grange. Records were read of the Pomona Grange meeting held at Birkenfeld in 1926 at

which 45 members took the fifth degree. It is well to recall that the Kerry Logging Co. was in operation then, accounting for the large attendance. In those days Winema Grange was the largest Grange in the county. The large hall was the gym for the school as well as being a Grange hall and was jointly owned by the two groups.

Those taking the fifth degree Saturday were David Crawford of Winema Grange, Stanley and Florence Chandler and Kit and Anita Kennedy of Natal Grange, and Lawrence and Grace Meissner of Fern Hill Grange.

Pomona meets next with Chapman Grange in November.

Clair Devines Entertain Niece, Maureen Gordon

MIST—Maureen Gordon of Turner is spending a week with her aunt and uncle, the Clair Devines. She returned home with the Devines Saturday evening.

Mrs. Geo. Mathews is enjoying having four of her grandchildren with her.

Mrs. Shalmon Libel participated in the program at Birkenfeld for Pomona Grange Saturday evening.

Fruit Torte Making Project for Goodies

The Goodies 4-H club meeting was held August 1 at the home of the leader, Mrs. Loren Ellis, Jr. The members made fruit torte and served it with koolaid.

News reporter, Joyce Knowlton

Vernonia Eagle

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Let's Get Acquainted!

Do You Know This Man? Born January 31, 1926 in vicinity of Vernonia.

Married in 1950 at Hood River. Now a Vernonia home owner and booster.

Has two children. Employed locally.

Active in fraternal groups, chamber of commerce etc.

Is a collector and sports enthusiast.

(Information supplied by J. W. Nichols) Answer to last week's quiz, Dave Brunsmann.

Invite friends now for the Jamboree, July 27, 28 and 29.

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