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City Approves Name Hearing, Extends Service

A public hearing November 2 at 8:00 p.m. at the city hall has been called by the city council on recommendation of the planning commission to hear pros and cons regarding the requested change of proposed name for the part of highway 47 extending through Riverview from Pomona Drive to Mist Drive. The action was taken because of a request lodged previously by residents of the area for such a change.

The council, at their meeting Monday evening, heard the report that water service is now available along the newly-laid mainline in Riverview, depending on receipt of purity certification by the state board of health. Prospective users must make signed application at the city hall for service connection.

Curb installation on Weed avenue from Bridge street south is being extended to include the Earl Trom-

bley property at his request.

A letter was received by the council from the Banks Booster club in appreciation for the gift of field lights from the city park which were no longer used since the field is not used now for athletic events. The booster club letter, signed by Bill T. Ke, president of the Banks Booster club, stated that obtaining these field lights has made it possible for banks to have a lighted field and for the first time, have night football games at Banks.

Action had been taken in July to give the field lights to Banks in return for removal of the light poles from the field since they had become dangerous.

In other action Monday evening, the council let two contracts, one to Crown Construction company for erection of a fire hose drying tower and one to Henry Turner for shingling the north half of the sexton's house. The Crown bid for the tower was \$450 and the only other bid, by Wally Noakes and W. N. Wood was for \$648.34.

For the shingling job, two identical bids of \$154 were received from Turner and Wood. The job includes furnishing of the shingles and cleanup after the job.

Much of the remaining business Monday evening dealt with street, drainage and sewer repair problems. Also, an order was given for replacement of glass in the city fire hall door and the installation of a door check to prevent future breakage.

The meeting concluded with routine payment of bills and the council adjourned at 9:20 p.m. The next meeting will be November 2, following the public hearing.

Youth Prepare Banquet Event

The community youth group is making plans for a banquet at the EUB church November 21, the Saturday before Thanksgiving. The chicken dinner will be prepared by Friar Tuck.

An excellent speaker, Jerry Johnson, from KPDQ in Portland, will speak to the group after the dinner. The age limit is to be from twelve years through college age.

Tickets are being sold now for \$1.00 each by members of each church's youth group. They will not be sold the week of the banquet and must be sold in advance.

Boys should wear white shirts and tie. Church dress is appropriate for girls. All young people are urged not to miss this outstanding evening.

Powderpuff Game Set

The annual Powderpuff football game will be held at Greenman field Saturday, October 24 at 8 p.m. The junior and freshman girls are challenging the sophomores and senior girls to a humorous game of tackle football.

Admission prices are: grade school 35c; high school 50c and adults 75c to see this game of fun-filled excitement.

Date Given for Truck

The Goodwill truck will make its next visit to Vernonia November 18 and a reminder of that date was issued this week so that people could get items ready for pick-up. Those wishing the truck to call at their home may contact Mrs. Frank Lange, Hazel 9-3161.

7-7 Tie Game Scored Friday

Friday evening the Vernonia Loggers took on the North Catholic eleven on the local turf and came away from that game with a 7-7 score.

Both TDs occurred by the way of breaks for both teams. North Catholic scored when they intercepted a Logger heave on the 35 and ran it all the way back for the score. Vernonia's score came about when they recovered a dropped visitor punt on the 25 from which point they drove to the one-yard line where Johnston bulld his way over on fourth down.

Neither team managed to hit pay dirt the rest of the first half although the locals did manage to penetrate to the visitor's 32, only to run out of downs and have to punt.

Second half action was much the same as the first half with defense being stressed much more. Neither team managed to get anything seriously started until the final minutes when the Loggers got down to the visitor's 28-yard marker. With 30 seconds to go, the Loggers stayed on the ground and settled for a tie ball game instead of chancing a pass.

Vernonia will journey to Neah-Kah-Nie this week to engage that squad in warfare.

Sunset Line to Run Two Trips

A steam locomotive will roll through the coast range of Western Oregon for the last time this year on Sunday, October 25, as the non-profit Vernonia South Park & Sunset schedules two excursions over its scenic line between Banks and Vernonia.

Leaving the terminal at Banks at 9:15 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., the train of ancient cars, warmed with pot-bellied stoves will make a farewell run before shutting down operations for the winter. Over 4,000 people of all ages were carried by this "passenger only" standard-gauge steam railroad operating on Sundays during the summer season this year. The fledgling line began life in May and drew capacity crowds during its fourteen weeks. August 30 was the last regular trip.

Tickets for this fall outing at \$3.50 may be obtained at the Northern Pacific city ticket office, 439 S.W. 6th avenue, Portland; Sunset Super Market in Banks, or by phoning 227-0415 or MI 4-5759. Reservations are advisable.



COMPLETION of the new water main to the Riverview area was marked last week when the mayor, several councilmen and a member of the planning commission posed for this picture as they turned on the water last Thursday. From left, Councilman C. E. Miller, Planning Commission Chairman B. J. Horn, Mayor T. M. Hobart, Councilmen Horace Hertel and L. E. Atkins.

Time Change Scheduled for Next Sunday

Sunday, October 25 is the day designated for the return to standard time and everyone is reminded that this means setting the clock back one hour, presumably at 2:00 a.m. Sunday morning.

Most people prefer to make the change when they retire Saturday night. For instance, if the clock says 10 p.m., it would be turned back to 9 p.m. and in effect, give an extra hour to Saturday night.

Since Saturday evening is Halloween, it might be well to wait until after midnight to make the change to avoid the risk of giving witches and goblins an extra hour to prowl.

At any rate, most churches have announced that services Sunday will be on Standard time and all schools will be operating on standard time Monday morning.

Tests, Shots Given Students

Mrs. Albert Krieger, health chairman for the Vernonia PTA, reported this week that October 13, vision tests were given to 20 high school students who had requested such checks. From these, 12 referrals were sent home to parents, indicating that those students needed further attention to their eyes.

Tuesday of this week, October 20, at the immunization clinic held in the art room at the Washington school, 241 immunization shots were given to 141 students from the first, fifth, ninth and twelfth grades. These were DPT shots (diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus), DT (diphtheria and tetanus) and small-pox vaccinations.

Shots were given by Dr. S. D. Thiringer and County Health Nurses Mrs. Geraldine Malakowski and Mrs. Lambert from St. Helens. They were assisted by Mrs. Albert Krieger, Mrs. Ralph Krieger, Mrs. Jack Bergerson, Mrs. Earl King, Mrs. Pat Robertson and Mrs. George Koski.

The mobile chest x-ray unit will not come to Vernonia this year but will be in Clatskanie at the city hall October 28 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m.; in Scappoose at the Wigwam Cafe, October 29 same hours and in St. Helens at the Moose hall October 30, same hours. Persons from this area may obtain xrays at any of those places.

Hotcakes Earn \$200 for Club

Monday evening, the Vernonia Lions club heard reports from the annual hotcake feed held last Saturday which indicate that about \$200 was cleared for use on such community projects as the Christmas decorations and the park dressing rooms.

Edwin Ade, general chairman for the event, reported that of the 40 members of the club, only 10 were unable to assist with the feed. He also gave some interesting statistics as to the quantities of materials used Saturday as follows: 59 dozen eggs, eight pounds coffee, 23 quarts milk, 15 pounds butter, 15 quarts syrup, nine quarts Wesson oil, 70 pounds hotcake flour, 16 quarts buttermilk and six and a half gallons milk for hotcakes, plus eggs used in mixing the approximately 30 gallons of batter used.

Earl Hurlburt, past district governor of district 36-0 was present and gave the obligation to two new members, Larry Bair and LaRoy Hepler.

Judge John Whipple spoke to the club concerning O and C land funds, prior to speaking to the PTA on the same subject.

Boys to Practice

Vernonia High School Coach Robert Wendel announced this week that this Saturday, October 24, at 11 a.m. at the high school field, punt and pass practice would be held for boys aged 11, 12 and 13. Finals in the punt and pass contest will take place November 6 at halftime during the Logger-Concordia game.

Mill Rates Decrease

A recent release of tax statistics from the office of Columbia County Assessor Frank LeMont shows a decrease in the millage rate for both the Vernonia school district and the city of Vernonia. It also shows the Vernonia school district millage as the lowest of any of the five larger districts in the county.

Last year, the millage for district 47J was 44.6 and this year it is 40.0. In checking the table which appears elsewhere in this issue, it is noted that in Scappoose, Rainier and Clatskanie where there are separate millages for grade and high schools, these two must be added to get the true picture. Millage for St. Helens is 43.3, for Scappoose 54.4, for Rainier 47.1 and for Clatskanie 47.6.

For the city of Vernonia millage dropped from 115.2 in 1963 to 103.2 in 1964. The area outside the city dropped from 94.2 to 84.0.

Part of the answer to the change of millage is in the re-evaluation of property in the county.

District Board Names Teacher

The board of school district 47J, at a special meeting held Thursday, November 15, employed Mrs. Catherine Howard as high school girls physical education and health instructor for the remainder of the 1964-65 school year.

Mrs. Howard will replace Mrs. Dorothy Knowlton who has been teaching in the high school on emergency certification. Mrs. Knowlton and the school district were recently notified that she could not be certified for this school year.

Mrs. Howard, a 1959 graduate of Vernonia high school, is currently a senior at Oregon College of Education. She will be able to teach only on emergency certification and will not be eligible for full certification until she receives her Bachelor of Arts degree.

Students Win Place on Roll

Freshmen at Vernonia high school are finding out how tough high school is, apparently, and perhaps, also are learning the need for buckling down for increased work on studies. The assumption is drawn from the fact that no freshmen appear on the honor roll for the first six weeks.

The roll released last week shows the following students attaining the required grade level for such recognition:

Sophomores: Bill Hanson, Kathy Jensen, Sally Knowlton, Nancy Hamnett.

Juniors: Robert Mattson, Roger Medges, Tony Weaver, Bob Wood.

Seniors: Sharon Brunsmann, Joyce Chandler, Robert Fuquay, Linda Jensen, Barbara Keith, Christine King, Terry Larson, Vicki Pollock, Donna Sanders, Judy Stockwell.

Co-op Members Name Directors, Vote By-law Change Saturday

Approximately 300 members and guests attended West Oregon Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s annual meeting last Saturday, October 17. There were 162 voting members registered. It was considered to be one of the largest attendances of recent years.

Bank Branches Sponsor Clinic

U. S. National Bank's St. Helens and Vernonia branches will co-sponsor a "Businessmen's Loss Prevention Clinic" in the St. Helens lobby Monday evening, October 26, according to Vernonia manager B. R. Pilger.

The session, scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m., will last approximately two hours and is designed to help businessmen prevent losses caused by bogus checks, counterfeit money and "short change artists."

Included will be a series of slides showing the businessman how to discern counterfeit money from genuine bills and what to look for on checks to determine whether or not they are bogus.

In addition, a panel consisting of financial, legal and law enforcement personnel will answer questions from the audience.

Persons interested in attending the clinic should contact either Pilger or St. Helens manager E. E. Jensen. Refreshments will be served following the session.

List Includes Four

The list of Columbia county residents drawn for the fall term as circuit trial jurors shows three from the Vernonia area. They are George B. Watson, Donald E. Tipton and Violet D. Pattee.

Also included among the 48 persons drawn is May J. Mills, Birkenfeld.

Society Asks Full-Time Art Teacher for Schools

The October meeting of the Vernonia PTA was held at the Washington grade school Monday evening. During the business portion of the meeting, the new budget was presented by Mrs. Ralph Krieger and approved by the membership.

Mrs. Robert Curl, president, then presented the Gold Oak Leaf award for membership to Mrs. Krieger, last year's president.

Mrs. Lloyd Callister's third grade class was given the attendance award for the month.

The first speaker of the evening was Mrs. Wilbur Wilson who talked on behalf of the Vernonia Arts and Crafts Society. She expressed their desire to see local schools hire a full time art teacher so that the students may have training in this field if they so desire. This is especially necessary for those stu-

dents who plan to use art in their profession later, she stated. She also circulated a petition for signatures so that this matter may be taken before the school board before next year's budget is considered.

Judge W. Whipple then gave a very informative talk, explaining what the Oregon and California timber money is all about. He said that our state has about 2½ million acres of timberland west of the Cascades with 18 counties within the boundaries of this land. Each of these counties receives its share of the money from timber cut from any of this land according to how many acres of the timber they have in their county, regardless of where the timber is cut.

Columbia county's share of this money is placed in the general and general road funds of this county.

Due to an auditing mistake in 1954, seven sections of Columbia county's timberland were omitted from the records. Now that this mistake has been discovered, due to Judge Whipple's diligence, the county has \$636,000 coming in back timber money.

On further investigation it was found that some of the other counties were over paid during this time and they have agreed to pay the amount of their over-payment to Columbia county to make up for under-payment here.

Judge Whipple said that there was a possibility that part of this money would be used to construct either a new court house or annex in St. Helens to relieve the crowded conditions of the old one. However, the county budget committee will be responsible for where the money is

to be used when it becomes available.

The judge also told that there were several industries coming into the county in the near future.

The third and fourth grade room mothers, Mrs. Max Buckner, Mrs. R. C. Peterson, Mrs. Frank Steele and Mrs. John Normand were in charge of refreshments.

In an earlier item, Mrs. Donald Tiffney, Lincoln school stamp chairman, was inadvertently omitted. Mrs. L. L. Browning is the stamp chairman at Washington school.

Papers concerning the school census were sent home with the children this week. Parents are asked to fill out the form at the bottom as a time saver for the census takers. It would also be appreciated if any unfriendly dogs are tied or otherwise restricted during this time.