

New County Officers Take Over Positions at Ceremony Monday

Swearing in ceremonies conducted by Roy A. Nelson, county clerk, at the Columbia county court house Monday morning of this week returned three officials to office and placed two new names on the county officer roster.

Earl Seawright was sworn in as county judge to succeed John W. Whipple who has held the position for the past 12 years. Whipple was



EARL SEAWRIGHT



DON KALBERER

Frosh to Play At Clatskanie

The Vernonia freshman team will travel to Clatskanie today, Thursday, for their third game of the season. So far the freshmen have been victorious over Jewell and Banks. Monday, the freshmen will be at home against the Seaside freshmen. Game time will be 6:00 p.m.

Coach Bill Howard will probably go with the same starting line-up that he has used in his first two ball-games. That will be Les Forcier and Bill Hanson as forwards, Albert Brunman, center and Larry Elton and Gary Hanson in the guard positions.

The Freshman schedule is as follows:

JANUARY 7 — Clatskanie, there, 7:00 p.m.
 JANUARY 11 — Seaside, here, 6:00 p.m.
 JANUARY 18 — Clatskanie, here, 6:00 p.m.
 JANUARY 25 — Banks, there, 7:00 p.m.
 JANUARY 28 — Rainier, here, 7:00 p.m.
 FEBRUARY 2 — Jewell, here, 6:15 p.m.
 FEBRUARY 11 — Rainier, there, 7:00 p.m.
 FEBRUARY 15 — Jewell, there, 7:00 p.m.
 FEBRUARY 22 — Seaside, there, 6:00 p.m.

FFA Chapter To Host Meet

The Future Farmers of America chapter at Vernonia high school will host the northwest district FFA speech contest next Wednesday, January 13, at 7 p.m. in the high school gym, according to an announcement made this week by Fred Fowler, Voc-Ag instructor at Vernonia high school.

Speakers from 10 high schools in Northwest Oregon will participate. Vernonia high school will be represented by Doc Fuquay who will speak on "Soil and Water Conservation in Northwest Oregon." He was the winner in a previous contest held at Natal Grange under sponsorship of the Clatskanie Conservation District.

The contest is open to the public, according to Fowler who is in charge of local arrangements.

Union to Meet

Members of the Vernonia Federal Credit Union have received notices of the annual meeting to be held Saturday evening, January 16 at 8:00 p.m. at the West Oregon Electric meeting room.

feted last week by county officials and employees at a gathering in the county court room at which cake and coffee were served to a capacity crowd. Whipple was presented with a wristwatch.

The other new official in the court house is Don Kalberer who was sworn in as district attorney to succeed Dave Williamson who also was honored last week at a gathering by Sheriff Roy Wilburn which was attended by Kalberer and a former district attorney, John L. Foote.

Officials sworn in who had been re-elected in November were O. D. Clark, county commissioner; Louise Johnson, county treasurer, and Clarence Wagner, county surveyor.

Loggers Tally 59-35 Victory

The Vernonia Loggers won their third basketball game of the season Tuesday night when they downed the Rainier Columbians by a 59-35 score.

Three Logger players scored in double figures with guard Dan Steele leading the way with 18 points. Jerry Hanson and Terry Smith came up with 12 and 10 points respectively.

The game started off slowly and at the quarter's end the Loggers led by only two points, 9-7. Action picked up a little bit in the second period and the Loggers outscored their opponents 15-12 and went in at intermission with a five point margin, 24-19.

A big third quarter brought the Loggers their commanding lead as they rolled up 24 points while holding Rainier to only 10. Steele scored 10 points, mostly on fast break lay-ins, to lead the Loggers in this period. At the period's end, the Loggers had built up a 19 point advantage, 48-29.

As a team, the Loggers shot 43 percent, hitting 26 field goals on 60 attempts. They hit 7 of 11 freethrows. Jerry Hanson pulled in eight rebounds, followed by Terry Smith with seven.

Scoring: Bellingham 5, Johnston 0, T. Smith 10, T. Larson 3, Hanson 12, F. Smith 2, Steele 18, Holsey 7, Bate-man 2, Elton 0.

The Vernonia JVs won their game against the Rainier JVs, 45-39. Dave Larson, with 19 points, paced the Loggers to their victory that was not decided until the final two minutes. Four points by Joe Curl and a field goal by Larson broke a 39-39 tie. Quarter scores were 16-17, 23-21, 33-33.

Scoring: Pederson 10, Holsey 1, Medges 3, Curl 8, Larson 19, Mattson 4, Petticord 0, Minger 0.

This Friday the Loggers open CO-WAPA league play when they meet the Warrenton Warriors on the Vernonia floor. The Warriors were last year's league champs and are picked to repeat again this year. Game time will be 8:00 p.m. preceded by a preliminary starting at 6:15 p.m.

Group to Work On Standards

Joey Acaiturri, superintendent of schools for district 47J, has accepted the invitation of B. L. Simmons, director, curriculum and instructional services for the Oregon State department of education, to serve on a committee to develop standards for school libraries as requested by the state standards committee. The committee is engaged in developing revision of the standards for public elementary and secondary schools in the state to produce a separate publication establishing the current standards in three media fields, audio-visual education, radio, and television and school libraries.

Miss Phyllis Hochstetler, consultant on school libraries, has been assigned the task of working with a small committee to develop the library standards and it was her request that Acaiturri be invited to serve on the committee.

Acaiturri, in announcing his acceptance of this invitation, stated that Miss Hochstetler has complimented this district for the up-dating of facilities and materials in the school libraries. Particular commendation was given for the recently compiled K-12 library sequential program and the modernization of the Washington school library.

The Vernonia high school library, also, is fully standard.

The material developed by the library standards committee will be referred to the state standards committee and if approved, will be published in a separate media standards handbook.

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Chamber to Hear County Judge Speak

Earl Seawright, newly elected judge for Columbia county, will be the speaker for the Vernonia Chamber of Commerce quarterly dinner meeting next Monday evening at the IOOF hall. His talk will center on subjects pertaining to his office and of interest to the public.

The dinner is to be held at 7:00 p.m. January 11 and will be served by the Mt. Heart Social Club. Tickets are \$1.50 per person and the public is invited to attend.

Another feature of the evening will be the presentation of the award to the Citizen of the Year. Those honored in this manner by the chamber in previous years have been B. J. Horn, Dr. T. M. Hobart, Robert C. Lindsay and Sam Hearing Jr.

Deformed Tree Cause Disputed

Some of the local loggers are disputing the theory voiced last week that the top of a 15-foot tree could become deformed due to deer damage. Their contention is that the top is new growth and would have been out of the reach of deer other than, perhaps, Rudolph.

Another theory put forth by some of the loggers who have seen other trees with deformed top growth in the Apriary area is that it results from spray damage.

A discussion about the deformed growth arose after a photo of the tree was published in this paper last week.

County Welfare Costs Totaled

The Columbia County Public Welfare Commission Roy K. Smith, administrator, reports the following expenditures for the month ending November 30, 1964:

General assistance, \$1,819.47; foster care, \$2,962.84; old age assistance, \$9,327.25; aid to dependent children, \$10,013.09; aid to the blind, \$439.29; aid to the disabled, \$5,113.78; medical aid to the aged, \$9,347.74. This makes a total of \$39,023.46.

Of the above expenditures, \$12,530.33 was from state funds, \$21,122.98 from federal funds, and \$5,370.15 from county funds.

The child welfare workers gave service to 102 children in the county, including 36 in foster homes and two in adoptive homes. There are 33 certified foster homes in use at this time.

Eight men with families are working out their need for welfare assistance on the community work and training program under the county road department supervision.

Eligibility has been established for 204 persons in Columbia county for the Kerr Mills medical aid to aging.

1964 Events Itemized from Files for Past Months

1964 in retrospect as viewed through a survey of the 1964 file of Vernonia Eagles reveals a number of interesting events during the year.

Two people in front page news January 2 were beginning new jobs. This year, the same two are featured again for starting new jobs.

January 2, 1964: Don Kalberer was announced as a member of the Metropolitan Study Commission to replace Mrs. Dorothy McCullough Lee. This week he is assuming the office of Columbia county district attorney.

Mrs. Launce Cousins, last January, took over duties as second grade teacher at Washington school to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Miss Claudia Reeves. This year, she is taking a seat on the Vernonia city council.

January 2, 1964: This issue carried news of the grand opening of the Montgomery Ward Catalog Sales Agency here January 3 and 4 with Jean Myer as agent. This week they are observing their first anniversary.

January 9, 1964: Monday of this week, Akio Yamaguchi, Vernonia high school's foreign exchange student from Japan, spoke to the Vernonia Lions Club. His cheery personality is missed around Vernonia



BUSINESS for the City of Vernonia was carried on as usual Monday evening at the first 1965 meeting with the exception that Mrs. Launce Cousins became the first woman to take a council position. She was sworn in by Recorder Walter Linn to take the chair vacated

by L. E. Stiff whose term expired. Mayor T. M. Hobart and Councilman L. E. Atkins were also sworn in Monday to start their new terms of office. From left around table: Councilman Ed Miller, Hobart, Linn, Mrs. Cousins, Atkins and Councilman H. C. Hertel.

Storms Cause of Trouble

Guy I. Thomas, manager of West Oregon Electric Cooperative, stated that the recent storms caused the cooperative far more trouble and expense than the October 12, 1962 windstorm. After the Columbus Day storm, services restored would stay but the recent storms caused considerable repeat troubles.

Recent high water started the trouble by softening the ground, allowing trees and poles to tip over. This was followed by a considerable amount of wet snow sticking to trees, poles and wires. More trees and poles went over, shorting and burning down wires. With weather like this the trouble is continuous. Service can be restored but in a few minutes another tree burns the wire down again.

Thomas called for assistance from the Northwest Mutual Assistance Agreement, whose members include all power utilities of the Northwest. Crews were sent from Portland General Electric, Forest Grove Power and Light and the City of McMinnville Water and Light Department. Also, a crew from Pacific Power and Light was standing by. The above crews represent several days work, helping to speed up restoration of service.

Thomas again expressed his appreciation to all of the members for their help, patience and consideration.

Council Reorganizes Monday To Begin Business for 1965

Monday evening of this week, at the regular meeting of the Vernonia city council, Dr. T. M. Hobart was sworn in as mayor for a second two-year term and the oath of office also was administered to two councilmen elected in November, Loran E. Atkins who was serving by appointment in an unexpired term prior to election, and Mrs. Launce Cousins who becomes the first woman to serve on the Vernonia city council.

Mayor Hobart made two appointments for the new term. Walter E. Linn was reappointed as city recorder for another term and Acel D. Lolley was named as chief of police to April 30, the date of his retirement.

The council took action to start annexation proceedings for an area at the northerly city limits east of

Scout Troop Meeting Set

Local people who are interested in the possible organization here of a Girl Scout troop are asked to meet at the Washington school next Tuesday, January 12, at 11 a.m. when Mrs. Mary Curran of Astoria, Girl Scout representative for this area, will be here to meet with them.

At 11:30 a.m., the group will watch the first in a series of instructional programs on Girl Scout work over TV channels 10 and Mrs. Curran will comment on it.

The series is being given on TV to assist prospective leaders in local communities who are unable to get to Portland for training classes. There are four programs in the series, January 12, 19 and 26 and February 2.

McKinster Ends Work in Store

January 1 marked the retirement of Orville (Sleepy) McKinster who for the past 15 years has been the butcher at Sam's Food Store.

Prior to that he had worked for Sam Hearing Sr. early in 1949, and then for Lou Girod. For a time he also worked as butcher in the Vernonia Safeway store, then at Hanks Supermarket at Cornelius before going to work again here for Sam (Buck) Hearing in 1949.

At present, Buck is wearing the butcher's apron

This week Mr. and Mrs. Cliff White retired after owning and operating the Vernonia Western Store for 17 years. As of March 1, new owners were Mr. and Mrs. Ron McDonald.

March 12: Monday evening of this week, Willie Barston, manager of Dean's Market, was named as chairman for the 1964 Vernonia Friendship Jamboree.

March 19: Ben Smith retired this week after being road foreman for the Vernonia district since 1946. Prior to that he had worked for the road department in other capacities.

The Vernonia city council accepted the proposal of the planning commission for new street names among which were these in the downtown area: First street to Adams avenue; Second street to Jefferson avenue and Third street to Madison avenue. (New street signs were put in place before the end of 1964)

Vernonia was featured in a full page article in the Oregonian Sunday of this week with pictures and stories which were favorable to the area.

March 26: Mrs. Robert Curl was elected as president of the Vernonia PTA for the 1964-65 year.