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## Welfare Labor Use Discussed

The Vernonia city council met Monday evening with Mayor T. M. Hobart, Councilmen C. E. Miller, D. G. Roberts, L. E. Atkins and H. C. Hertel and Attorney Robert R. Vagt in attendance.

Under unfinished business, the possibility of using the labor of welfare recipients through arrangement with the County Welfare Department previously discussed at the December 20 meeting was re-opened with the appearance of Roy Smith from the welfare commission. After Smith's presentation of the features of the plan as developed through questioning by the councilmen, it appeared that the cost of accident insurance which would have to be borne by the city cannot be paid by presently budgeted funds. Since an agreement for the utilization of this labor can be entered into at any future

time it was the consensus that the matter should be left for possible action when funds may be made available.

Councilman Roberts had reached a tentative agreement with Cecil Huff for modification of his lease agreement for use of airport property which lease has expired. The proposal is designed to lessen the amount of fencing required by extending a fence northward from the existing corner to join with the present fence and also to repair the existing fencing. The council voted to have a lease drawn incorporating the proposal, said lease to be for five years.

In the matter of the proposal by the Vernonia Golf Course management that they lease a small area from the airport property for the establishment of a tee for one of the nine holes of the course, they are to stake the boundaries of the area desired so that a decision may be considered by the council.

The Planning Commission is prepared to submit names of citizens for consideration for appointment to the cemetery management committee as soon as the persons have signified their willingness to serve. Cemetery operating problems are to await the establishment of this committee under a recently passed ordinance.

It was agreed, on the recommendation of Councilman Hertel, to move the existing street light in the area of Block 26, Second Addition, to a site near the corner of East avenue and F street.

An ordinance selling Lot 10, Block 2, Oregon American Subdivision, to Ada Croeni was given final reading, adopted and ordered enrolled as No. 421 in the Book of Ordinances.

## Service Read On Wednesday

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Evangelical United Brethren church for E. V. "Lige" Robertson, 48-year-old resident of 159 A. street, Vernonia, who passed away Monday morning, January 17, at the Veterans hospital in Portland following an extended illness.

His minister, the Rev. John Hager of the Vernonia Bible church, and the Veterans Hospital Chaplain Rev. Dwight Kinman officiated at the services with Robert Sargent as soloist and Mrs. Lloyd Thomas as organist.

Concluding rites and vault interment were at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery with Everett Brown, Gene Weller, Dick Nightwine, Irvin Leffler, L. E. Atkins and Jim Brewer serving as casket bearers. Arrangements were entrusted to the Fuiten-Friesen Mortuary.

"Lige" Robertson was born at Louisville, Mississippi March 16, 1917, the son of George and the late Virena Robertson. He spent his early life in that community and then as a young man he joined the C. C. Corps and was sent to the camp that was near Timber. After leaving the C. C. Camp he remained in the Vernonia community as the rest of the Robertson family moved to this area. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II and as a sergeant with the third infantry division.

Mr. Robertson returned to Vernonia after his military service and was united in marriage to Arvela Christensen at Vancouver, Washington on January 10, 1948. For a number of years he was distributor here for the Shell Oil company and in recent years had been self employed in the logging industry. He especially enjoyed hunting and fishing and was partial to this area for its abundance of game.

Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Arvela Robertson and three children, Gary, Buddie and Jodi Ann, all at the family home; his father, George Robertson, Lake Grove; four brothers, Cleveland and Raymond Robertson, Vernonia; S. L. Robertson, Longview, Washington; and five sisters, Mrs. Charles (Esther) Ruth and Mrs. Larry (Virginia) McMahon, both of Longview; Mrs. George (Tharis) King, Corvallis; Mrs. Don (Mary) O'Connor, and Mrs. Virgie Pugh, both of Lake Grove; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

## Webb to Head Firemen Group

Vernonia firemen elected their 1966 officers at their meeting of January 10. Those selected by vote were: Don Webb, chief; Don Tiffney, captain; Larry Garner, lieutenant; Homer Fuller, secretary-treasurer and Gene Weller, drill master. Chet Ray was appointed by Chief Webb as his assistant. The selection of Webb as chief was approved by the city council at their meeting Monday, January 17.



L. E. 'BUD' ATKINS

## Atkins Files for Primary Race

The first candidate to file in Columbia county for a place on the May primary election ballot is a Vernonia man, Loran E. (Bud) Atkins, who will seek the nomination for county commissioner on the Republican ticket. At present he is a Vernonia city councilman.

Atkins was born at Birkenfeld and has lived all of his life in Columbia county in the Nehalem valley area. He is 45 years of age.

He has taken an active part in community life in Vernonia. In addition to his work on the city council, he was one of those instrumental in starting the hunter safety program for that area and assists with anything pertaining to that program and other youth programs.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows lodge.

Atkins accomplished his filing Friday of last week with the payment of the required \$20 filing fee.

## Firemen Aid In Rescue of Pony Monday

Members of the Vernonia Volunteer Fire Department expect to be called out at all hours for fires, but Monday evening of this week, a call added variety. Their aid was enlisted to rescue a pony from the waters of the Nehalem river.

Firemen received the call about 11 p.m. Monday from Bill Lunsford who resides on Mist route about two miles from Vernonia on the place owned by Dr. T. M. Hobart. The pony belonging to the Lunsford children had been turned out to pasture that morning, and at dusk when the stock was put in the barn, it failed to appear. A search was instituted and finally, Lunsford found it in the river where it had apparently fallen when a high bank caved in.

Lunsford got into the river and kept the pony's head above water for about an hour and a half. A neighbor, Frank Reed, was assisting him, also, but they were unable to get the pony out. It is thought the animal was in the water for perhaps 10 hours.

The call to the fire department brought Chief Don Webb, Don Tiffney, Chet Ray, Homer Fuller and retired member Bob Thompson who had to literally pull the animal from the water. A fire was built on the bank and the group worked with the animal until after 2:00 a.m. to get it warmed and on its feet. A local doctor was called to administer a shot to help prevent pneumonia.

The great concern of the children who own the pony is the unborn colt.

## Loggers Roll Over Indians At Scappoose Tuesday Night

The Vernonia Loggers rolled over the host Scappoose Indians 80-67 in action Tuesday night. The Logger attack was led by Larson with 26 and Smith with 23. High point men for Scappoose were Jim Hoag, 17 and Larry Peterson with 15.

The Logger quint started off big, accumulating a 15-point advantage by half time, then were outscored by two points in the second half. The big surge put on in the second quarter spelled disaster for the Indians as the local squad outscored them by 13 points in this time period. Larson led the attack by stealing several passes and taking them in for the score. He stole 11 balls during the game.

Smith led the rebounding with 13, followed by J. Hanson and J. Curl with 11 each. As a team, Vernonia outrebounded the Indians 51 to 42. Also, their shooting percent topped that of the hosts, Vernonia hitting 36 of 82 for a .439 percent to Scappoose's .329 percent. Vernonia's second quarter shooting from the field hit a figure in excess of .650 percent. Other Vernonia scoring included: J. Hanson with 13; Elton, 8; J. Curl, 7; Pederson, 2 and B. Hanson, 1.

The Logger defense let down in this contest, their having used both man to man and zone against the Indian quint. This is a point which will need sharpening before encountering Seaside. Coach Kronmiller

stated that the team would work on this as Seaside was capable of hitting from outside, and would also floor a tall team against the locals.

Vernonia's JVs went down under the onslaught of the junior Indians Tuesday night in the preliminary game. Coach Crowston's squad was felled by an attack led by Scappoose's Gary Wight who was high point man for the game with 24. The Loggers trailed at all quarter stops, although they closed the gap by ten points in the final frame.

Logger scoring was as follows: P. Brunsmann, 11; Robertson, 8; Cameron and Ellis, 7; Holsey, 5; Al Brunsmann, 4; G. Hanson, 3; Peddycord and Vealey, 2.

The Loggers will have a full schedule this coming week end, playing host to the Seaside Seagulls Friday and then travelling to Moro to take on Sherman county high Saturday. The Seaside game will be a decisive one with them currently rated as the fifth A-2 team in the state. Preliminary contests start at 6:15, with varsity play following.

Also, this Friday, as an added feature, the half time entertainment will be furnished by teams from the fifth and sixth grade basketball program. This program has recently been started by Kronmiller, with the boys turning out on Saturdays.

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## C-Z Reforestation Program Seeds 886 Acres in County

A mile-wide strip of maturing trees extending from north of Seaside to Portland.

This is the amount of acreage reforested by Crown Zellerbach in Washington and Oregon since the company began its reforestation program 41 years ago. At the end of the 1965 planting season, the company had seeded or planted with seedlings more than 192 square miles of land on its tree farms in the two states.

During 1965, CZ carried out reforestation on 11,282 acres of its timberlands.

Breakdown of the 1964-65 reforestation program showed hand planting was done on 6,872 acres, helicopters were used to aerially seed another 4,288 acres and 122 acres were hand seeded.

On the E. P. Stamm Tree Farm in Columbia county, planting covered 885.9 acres. There were 322,800 trees hand planted on 798.9 acres and another 87 acres hand seeded.

Oregon's seven Crown Zellerbach Tree Farms, Clackamas, Clatsop, Lincoln, Mazama (Klamath county), Tahkenitch (Lane - Douglas counties) Tillamook and E. P. Stamm, planted a total of 7,695.2 acres. There were 2,215,977 trees planted on 4,973.2 acres; 2,630 acres were aerially seeded and 92 acres were hand seeded.

For Washington, the total acreage was 11,282 on four farms. There were 2,869,177 trees planted on 6,872 acres; 4,288 acres were aerially seeded and 122 acres hand seeded.

Species used included Douglas fir, noble fir, Sitka spruce, grand fir, lodgepole pine, ponderosa pine and Monterey pine.

Along with its reforestation program, the company took another major step in 1965 to help nature produce better and faster growing forests. For the first time in Washington and Oregon, aerial fertilizing of commercial timberlands

was carried out on a large scale.

The venture, which culminated more than 12 years of research by Crown Zellerbach foresters, was carried out on 1,500 acres of second growth Douglas fir on the company's Clackamas Tree Farm near Molalla.

"Just as agricultural experts are continually working for better field crops, we are striving to improve the quality and quantity of the forest harvest," George H. Schroeder, CZ's chief forester, noted.

## Garner Service Set for Today

Funeral services will be held this afternoon, Thursday, January 20, at 2 p.m. at the Evangelical United Brethren church for Mrs. Trenton T. Garner of Birkenfeld. She passed away Monday of this week at a Portland hospital just four days prior to her 53rd birthday.

Reverend Raymond P. Targgart, pastor of the church, will officiate. Bernard Dowling of Vancouver will be soloist and Mrs. Lloyd Thomas, organist. Fuiten-Friesen Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Concluding rites will be at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery with E. T. Johnston, Lloyd Beach, Roy Stuve, S. A. Hoyt, Wally Noakes and Robert Pollock as casket bearers.

Alice Vernon Garner was born at Lakeview, Oregon January 21, 1913 the daughter of the late Sterling Price and Effie Downs Vernon. She spent all of her early life there and graduated from Lakeview high school after which she attended and graduated from Oregon State College at Corvallis. She taught in the high school at Sheridan before she was united in marriage to Trent Garner at Burns, Oregon on July 25, 1935.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Garner lived at Lakeview, Klamath Falls and Medford and then during the War at Vallejo, California. After the war they came to Vernonia and have lived in this area since that time, living the past 17 years at Birkenfeld.

Surviving is her husband, Trent Garner of Birkenfeld; two daughters, Mrs. Patrick (Marcia) Seibel of Vernonia and Mrs. Warren (Janice) Haase, Los Angeles, and two grandsons, Keri and Kris Seibel, Vernonia.

Also surviving are four brothers, Frank and Willard Vernon, both of Lakeview; Cecil Vernon of San Jose, California and Everett Vernon, Aloha; and three sisters, Mrs. Dora Carriger, Vallejo, California; Mrs. Mae Rehart, Medford and Mrs. Hazel Wilson, Aloha.

Mrs. Garner had been under treatment for cancer the past 13 years and had gone through several surgeries, also. Friends and family have expressed the tribute that through it all she never complained and always had a smile for everyone no matter how she felt.

Her family has suggested that those who wish to do so may make memorial donations to the American Cancer Society fund in lieu of flowers.



"Maybe they'll drop me a card on their trip"

## Music Study, Athletic Program Explained at Meet

The January PTA meeting was held at the high school Monday, January 17. During the business portion of the evening, Mrs. George Laws was elected secretary to fill the position vacated by Mrs. Bernard Gilliland.

The program began with an interview conducted by George Laws, president of the Music Parents club. David Serafin, Randy Holce and Mike Laws were questioned about their stay at the University of Oregon last year for the summer music session.

They told about the very thorough instruction given them by university teachers, the good food and pleasant living conditions afforded them and the recreational facilities available for students there.

After the interview, the boys answered questions from the members and played portions of a record made at the concert at the termination of their two weeks instruction.

Don Young, athletic director, was then introduced. He informed the membership of his physical education program. Young said that there has been much improvement in such programs across the nation since the president's physical fitness program has gone into effect.

He stated that trends swing from an all-out program for nothing but leisure time activities to the other extreme of all strength and conditioning activities. Young prefers to use a middle of the road pro-

gram for a more rounded education in physical fitness. Because of the lack of exercise in daily activities, the need for a better physical fitness program is greater than it once was.

Three high school boys, Merle Long, Dado Briones and Keith Seibel were on hand to demonstrate tumbling and weight lifting as they are taught in the high school.

Mrs. Catherine Howard, girls physical education teacher was also introduced. She gave a run down on the year's program for the girls after which she brought out her A and B teams for an exciting demonstration basketball game refereed by Marsha Kreiger. These

teams compete with other schools, as do the boys, and Mrs. Howard encouraged the membership to attend some of these games.

When Mrs. Webb, PTA president, asked for announcements, George Laws spoke on behalf of the Jamboree committee in asking for help from the PTA or other groups for the betterment of the Jamboree next summer.

With so many high school young ladies and gentlemen donating their time to entertain the membership, it was regrettable to have such a small group in attendance. The PTA hopes that many more will turn out next month when the Girl and Boy Scouts will present the program for Founder's Day.