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6 Year Old Boy Drowned Sunday

Tragedy struck a family gathering Sunday on the Ted Keasey farm. Bruce Carroll Eades, 6-year-old son of Glen and Bertha Eades, was accidentally drowned in the farm pond.

The boy had been playing outside with other children while the family dinner was being prepared. He apparently wandered off by himself. When the youngster did not answer to a call for dinner a search was started and the boy's body was discovered in the pond.

The boy's mother, Bertha, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Keasey. The Eades reside in Redmond, Washington.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, April 13 in Bellevue, Washington. Local arrangements were entrusted to Fuiten Mortuary.

D.A. Issues Warning To Area Homeowners

Spring is here and so are the itinerant roofers who victimize home owners.

Representatives of the District Attorney's office have received a complaint from a St. Helens resident who said that he had paid a stranger to repair and repaint the roof to his mobile home.

"When the work was done," the unhappy home owner added, "the roof leaked worse than before."

The victim reports that the repairman, white male, about 30 years of age, drove an old model gray color pickup truck.

Coffee Break Time

The Vernonia Study Club will be serving coffee, punch and cookies at the Public Library, today, Thursday, April 13, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Bring a friend and come in for a cup of coffee. The proceeds will be used to buy new library books. Hope to see you Thursday afternoon.

Basketball to Benefit Little League Teams

A benefit for the Vernonia Baseball Association will be staged tonight Thursday, April 13, at the Vernonia High School Gym.

President of the organization, Paul Weidman issued this schedule of events. At 6:30 there will be a kid wrestling program; at 7:20 a basketball game between the 5th and 6th grades will take place; at 7:45 the High School girls will take on the "ladies" of the community in a basketball game, at 8:10 the Frosh and the Jayvees will be opposed on the hard wood court and the final event at 8:45 will be the game between this years varsity and the Old Timers.

OSU stars Dave Gamee and Ken Nanson will be playing for the old timers club.

There will be no admission charged for the event but donations will be accepted at the door.

Besides the entertainment for the night this will also be the time for the Little League players to sign up for the coming season. All boys between the ages of 8 and 12 should be there, Thursday, April 13 to get registered for the coming year. Seven year old boys may play with written permission from the parents. The twelve year olds must not reach 13 by August first. Babe Ruth players will be between the ages of 13 and 15.

Weidman states that this will be the primary fund raising event.

Goodwill Truck Due In Vernonia May 17

Cora Lang reminds area residents that the Goodwill Truck will be visiting Vernonia May 17. She sends out this early reminder so that people can begin to collect the repairable items that Goodwill desires.

For further information call 429-3421.

C of C Has Info For Consumers

The Chamber of Commerce has received information and entry blanks for the 2nd annual Central Oregon Timber Carnival to be held at Prineville on May 19, 20, 21. Those interested may get the entry blanks at the West Oregon Electric office.

Also received is the 1971 Out-of-State Tourist Revenue Study, and a pamphlet on the State Department of Commerce. These may be borrowed from the city library where they are placed in the Chamber display rack.

Information has been received from the Consumer Service Division of the State Department of Commerce of their investigations of fly-by-nighters working their way through Oregon. Investigators are working on deficiencies in mobile homes, discount buying clubs and fire alarms. Any information citizens may have on consumer problems would be welcomed by the Consumer Division. It is located in Room 200 of the Commerce Building in Salem and phone are 378-4320 and 378-4696.

State Only Can Register Boats

Recreational boaters should be aware that boat registration in Oregon is the responsibility of the State, not private organizations.

Commander James A. Hadley, chief of the 13th Coast Guard District's Boating Safety Branch, said the Coast Guard has received numerous inquiries about a private organization which is circulating an offer through the mails to "register" boats. This organization, the Commander added, is not an official agency of the federal or state government.

For information on boat registration in Oregon, the Commander said, boaters should either write the Oregon State Marine Board, Agriculture Building, Salem, Oregon 97310 or phone the Board at 378-3785.

Cancer Crusade Gets Friday Night Kick-off

The American Cancer Society will have their crusade kick-off Friday, April 14 at the West Oregon Electric Building at 7:30 p.m.

The society invites you to hear Nora Janik, guest speaker from Portland and view the clever film to be shown. The group promises this meeting will be enjoyable and very informative. They urge everyone to come and acquaint themselves with the services that are given. You are urged to come and ask any of the questions you have been wondering about.

The American Cancer Society will not be having their auction this year but instead will have an Old Fashioned Country Store at the Melodrama showing on May 5 and 6. If you have any items that could be sold at this event please call Jenny Hanson 429-7183, or Louise Hamnett 429-7441 or 429-7401.

Another concession will be ye old "Sweet Shoppe". If your talents lean toward the sweet tooth call Reatha Horn 429-6203.

If you would like to offer any assistance to the society but cannot come please call any of the following: Jenny Hanson, 429-7183; Louise Hamnett, 429-7441 or 429-7401; Reatha Horn, 429-6203; Betty Curl, 429-6722.

Petitions Available Locally for Gov. Pension and Lottery Issues

As the time for election draws near there are a number of petitions being circulated to get certain measures put on the ballot in May.

There are two such petitions available for people to sign now in Vernonia. One petition has to do with the creation of a state lottery and the second for the repeal of the governor's pension bill.

Petitions for the lottery measure are available at Mario's Pizzeria and the Western Auto Store. Backers of the petition state that this would be a very good way to raise money and therefore bring some tax relief. They cite the success that the state of New Jersey had had with a similar program.

The petition drive to repeal the governors pension bill is taken on political aspects for future elections. The following information was taken from statements issued by backers of the petition.

The Governors' Pension Bill HB 1728, was passed in the last few days of the 1971 Oregon Legislature. It provides a 45 percent salary pension to former governors when they reach the age of 62. Examples of how it works: Former Governor Holmes, who served as governor for two years, is now receiving \$650 per month pension.

When Gov. McCall finishes his present term, he will be 62 and eligible to receive about \$14,000 per year pension, more than \$1,000 per month. The bill required that Governors thereafter pay in 7 percent of salary and Gov. McCall is doing this. But paying in 7 percent for two or four, or even eight years, and then getting back 45 percent every year after age 62 does not seem fair. Most of us have to work and pay in for many

years to qualify for even a modest retirement income.

And this is for all governors, past and future, forevermore! Most governors are likely to draw from \$100,000 to \$250,000 in pension benefits. It may well set a precedent too. All elected officials and legislators may want to have pensions for themselves too. An emergency clause was attached to the bill. An Emergency was declared for the "immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety." This enabled Gov. Holmes to begin receiving his \$650 per month pension last July. It also "reverted the possibility of getting a referendum vote on the bill before it went into effect. The bill further provided that all Governor Pension Benefits should be exempt from state and local taxes. Also that appropriations of moneys may be made, by law by the legislators from time to time to finance the plan.

Locally this petition is available at Kimmels Apparel. Mrs. Kimmel can secure more petitions if you wish one to circulate.

Watermaster Visit Scheduled April 19

Mr. Clayton J. Gardner, State Watermaster, will be in room 308, Columbia County Courthouse, the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. to answer questions pertaining to water rights. The next visit will be on April 19, 1972.

Notice

Veterans Service office will be closed April 19 and 20.

Nehalem Run Set for Sat.

The 10th Annual Nehalem River Run takes place this Saturday, April 15. This year's run is shaping up to be the biggest in the history of the event. Entries have been coming in from all over the state.

Several new aspects have been added to the Jaycee-sponsored event this year. One is that all entrants in the race will be eligible for a drawing for an eleven-foot fiberglass canoe, custom-built, and donated by Precision Fiberglass Parts of Clackamas, Oregon.

Also a special class has been added for Jaycee chapters around the state, a revolving trophy has been purchased and will be awarded to the winning chapter. These chapter teams will be riding in anything from regular boats to bathtubs. It should prove to be very entertaining for spectators.

For those more serious-minded racers, there are eight different classes. Class A is for one-man canoes and kayaks; B is for two-man canoes or kayaks; C, row boats with one set of oars; D, rowboats with two sets of oars.

Class E is for rubber rafts and anything that floats; F is for women in row boats, rubber rafts or anything that floats; G, one- and two-women canoes and kayaks; and Class H is for mixed couples in any type of craft.

The course begins at Anderson Park in Vernonia and finishes at Big Eddy Park approximately nine miles downstream. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with the faster boats entering the water at 9. Registration stays open until 11 a.m. No row boats will be allowed to start before 9:30 a.m., and the other types of craft at 10 a.m.

The committee has set up these starting times to assure those serious races an unmolested trip. If you are going to use a canoe or kayak, and don't start at the earlier time, you will have to take your chances with the rest of the boats.

There is a \$2 entrance fee for each occupant of any craft. Full life vests must be worn at all times.

An added attraction will be the

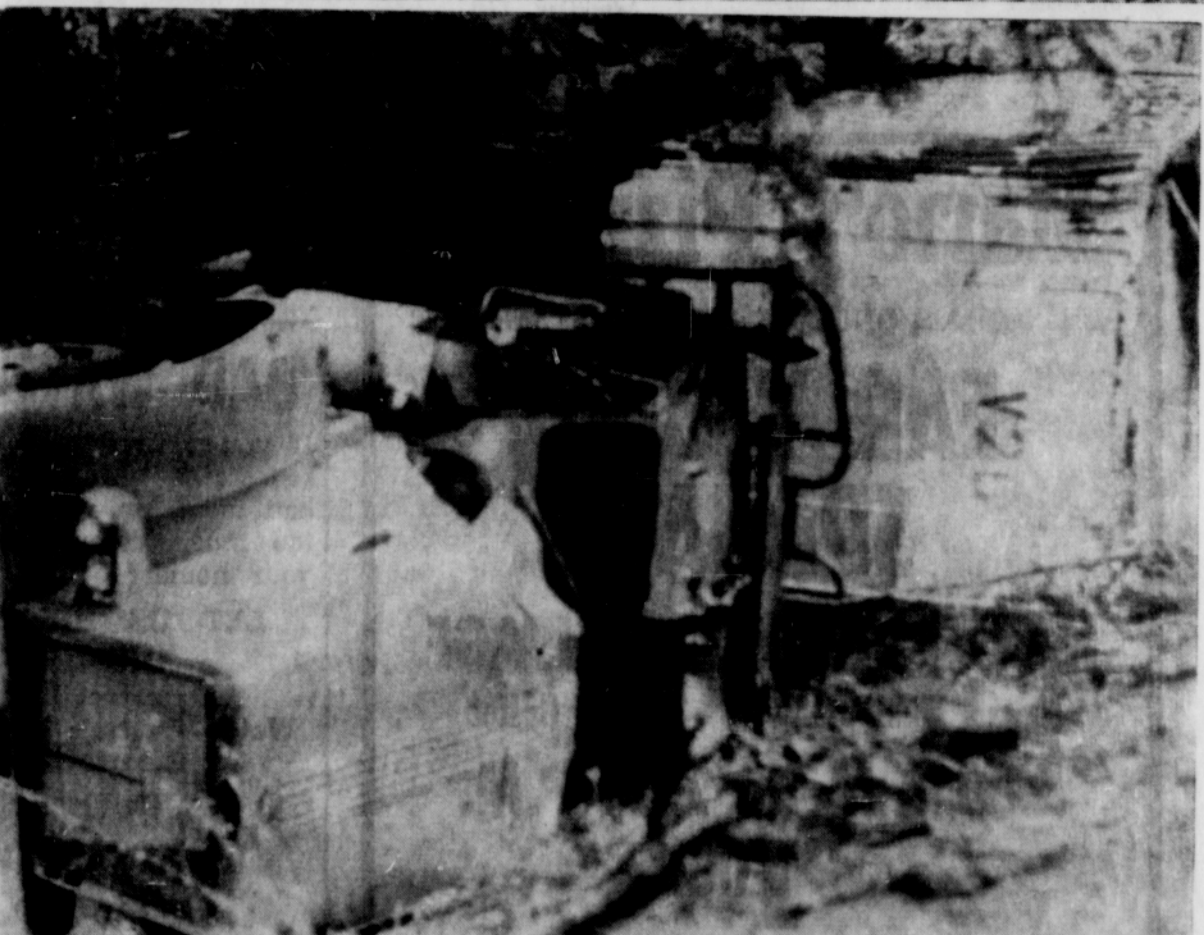
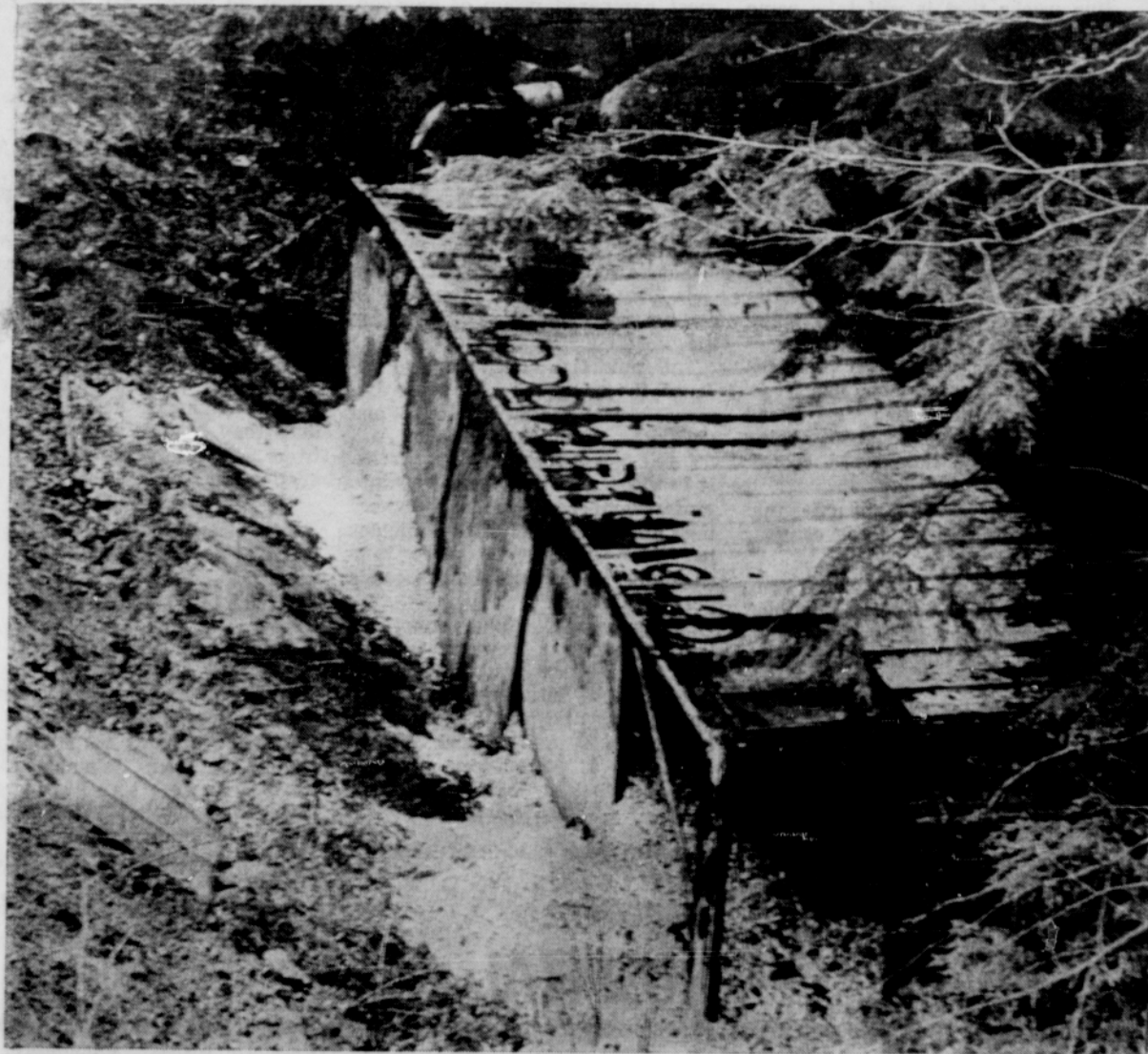
Oregon Log as shown by the Hillsboro Jaycees. The Oregon Log is the symbol that the Oregon Jaycees use when they go to national meetings. This year's log is from a tree that was 360 years old, and over 210 feet high. The portion of the tree that was used as the official log weighs 45,000 pounds, measures 7 feet in diameter and contains enough board feet to build a three bedroom house.

The Hillsboro Jaycees will transport the log to Atlanta, Georgia later this year for the national convention. It will be here in Vernonia until noon.

The Jacettes will have coffee and donuts for sale at the starting point in Anderson park and will have a snack bar set up at the finish line.

Trophies will be awarded at the close of the race and the drawing for the canoe will take place at that time also.

Entry blanks for the race may be obtained from Jaycee committee members, Ron Welch, Karl Koch, or Bob Carson.



CROWN ZELLERBACH driver Gene Weller escaped injury when his truck left the road atop Clatskanie Mountain Monday afternoon. Weller's chip truck met another truck on a sharp curve and Weller drove his vehicle onto the shoulder of the road to avoid a collision when the road side gave way. When the bank gave way it pulled the trailer down the hillside, raised

the cab off the ground and flipped it on its top, then the entire rig slid down the steep embankment. Weller was able to crawl out the passenger side window of the truck. The top photo was taken from the point the trailer left the road and he bottom photo shows the truck resting against the trees.



WITH THE Nehalem River running fast and swift, participants in the Jaycee Boat Race may only have to steer to make the nine mile run. The first boats

will enter the water at nine Saturday morning. Pictured above are some of the entrants in last year's race.