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HORSESHOES was the name of the game Saturday as the 2nd annual Nehalem Valley Open Tournament got underway at Hawkins Park.

The event drew several out-of-town contestants as well as many spectators.



GLEN WALKER of Seattle received Revolving Trophy while Ken Leatherman from Portland took a first in Class B at the 2nd annual horse-shoe tourney held in Vernonia.

Hawkins Park Hosts Tourney

A pleasant, relaxing few hours were spent at Hawkins park by 12 horseshoe pitchers in the 2nd Nehalem Valley open tournament.

Visitors and contestants alike enjoyed the ideal weather conditions and were sorry not to see more local faces there.

The winner of the revolving trophy was Glen Walker, a teenager from Seattle. Class A 2nd; Orlean Clinton of Seattle. 3rd Class A; Mark Cooper of Hillsboro; Class B 1st Ken Leatherman, Portland; 2nd Wayne Isaacson, Vernonia.

Vince Parker was the only junior who came so he pitched with the men. Vince has only pitched a couple of weeks and already he shows great possibilities. Hope to see all of you next year.

Parish Will Hold Ten-Day Exhibition

Because the response to the Quilt Fair held in March was so overwhelmingly warm, St. Mary's Parish will once again hold its fair - this time for ten days - from September 14 - 23 with doors opening at 10 a.m. The fair, which features both contemporary and heirloom quilts, will be held at the Vernonia Grange Hall with the closing hour set for 5 p.m.

Praise for the high quality and friendly atmosphere of the first Quilt Fair encouraged the parish to again hold one. Coffee, tea and cookies will be served to viewers again during the exhibit.

Quilts will total approximately 100 with the several heirlooms for exhibit only, but there will be quilts for sale also.

The Quilt Fair which drew almost 1000 visitors last March is held for the purpose of raising money to build a new church - the old one is over fifty years old and beyond repair. Donations of \$1 will be accepted at the door although no donations will be expected from children.

"We invite you to bring your friends and have a leisurely, pleasant day viewing these beautiful quilts with their exquisite handwork," say the families of St. Mary's Parish. "Do come and visit with us," they urge.

Traffic Deaths Down Through July 1973

Traffic deaths in Oregon continue to show a decrease this year over 1972. Through the end of July 364 deaths had been reported, a decrease of 15 per cent over the first seven months last year.

July traffic saw 72 traffic deaths in 60 fatal crashes. By comparison 84 died in July last year.

X-VHS Gridder In Shrine Tilt Sat. At Baker

When the annual East-West Shrine football game gets underway Saturday night, August 18, in Baker, Oregon, Vernonia High School will be represented on Scappoose Coach Jim Bernhardt's 26-man squad by Walt Floeter, a 195 lb. guard from Coach Melvin Nice's last year's VHS grid squad.

Walt, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Floeter of Star Route, Scappoose. During his four years at VHS he was active in NHS and the Paul Bunyan club besides participating in sports. He was chosen for All-League First offensive and defensive guard and All-State First Team defensive guard.

The Shrine game offers a natural matchup as the two head coaches met last fall for the State AA grid tilt. West head coach Jim Bernhardt was at the helm of the Scappoose High Indians while East head coach Tom Vaught held the reins at Gladstone High. The Gladstone 11 downed Scappoose 20 to 8 to take State AA title so Bernhardt will be looking forward to evening the score with his West team.

Another name expected to figure in the West plan is Kevin Krouse of Knappa; a name not unfamiliar to VHS fans. Other area gridgers on the West team are Roger Hill, Clatskanie; Henry Parks, Rainier; and Steve Williams, Tillamook; plus two Scappoose gridgers, Bill Hilderbrand, offensive right end; and Randy Icenogle, defensive tackle.

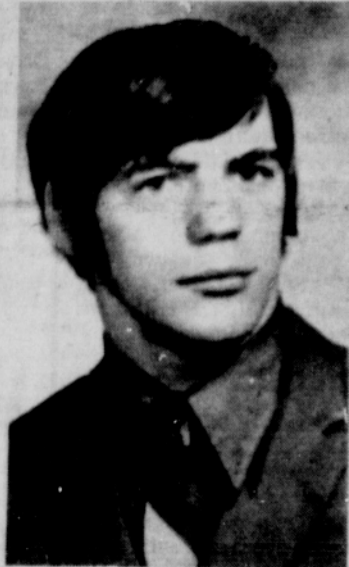
As Bernhardt points out, the East has more of the big names and All-Staters but he doesn't feel that means a thing when the action gets going and if the last week and a half of practice indicates anything, the West squad will be ready for the game.

Kickoff time is scheduled at 8:15 p.m. at the Baker High School stadium with the pre-game pageant slated for 7 p.m. The East-West series began in 1952 with the West leading the series 13-6. No game was played in 1969.

This year's game will be the second appearance for one of Coach Nice's players. Last year, he sent Reese Sturdevant into the fray with the West team downing the East 34-8.

Grid Togs Due Friday

Head coach Melvin Nice reminds football aspirants that Friday, August 17 at 6 p.m. is the date and time for receiving grid togs and, also, that the salesman from Sports Shoes Unlimited will be at the school to fit boys for their football shoes. Prices of the shoes range from \$8.95 to \$29.



WALTER FLOETER

Treharne Water Meet Hears Study Results

The long awaited feasibility study for a domestic water system for the Treharne district was presented by Martin Boatwright of Boatwright Engineering Co., Salem, Friday night August 10th at a general meeting of the Treharne Water Association.

To help expedite the program Robert Vagt, attorney from St. Helens, who has had experience in the formation of water associations, explained the legal steps necessary to form a water cooperative and provided the group with contract forms which were used to start a permanent organization.

Also William F. Daniel, Farmers Home Administration, explained the procedure to follow in order to secure a Farm Home loan.

A small but enthusiastic number signed the agreements and from these the following were appointed to head calling committees for this area: Bob Walker, Tom Budge, Marvin Meyer, Cecil Huff, Jerry Matteson, Willis Harriman, Helen Hall and Barbara McDonald.

This Friday August 17th another important meeting will be held at the golf club at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is for all signed up members and those wishing to sign up.

Storm Brings Rain; Light'ning

A summer storm brought lightning and thunder to the Nehalem Valley Sunday night with a small amount of rain dampening the ground while slick streets caused cautious driving conditions.

The lightning, moving over dry northwest forests caused several small fires in the Columbia County area with most being put out within a short time.

The bolts over the valley area were caused by friction from updrafts, starting in warm lower air and meeting a cloud layer some 39,000 feet, it was explained later.

Local School Opening Date Near

The regular summer maintenance program has been under way all summer preparing the school buildings for the use of students, teachers, and community for the 1973-74 school year.

Several major improvements have been made in addition to regular maintenance.

Painting is one of the major jobs and the Mist buildings, the grandstand, the high school and many classrooms have been painted this year. Painting is done in many cases by local students employed for the summer, working under the direction of the regular staff.

Contract work included re-roofing of Washington Grade School by Rain Proof Roofing of Scappoose; an overhaul of the clock system also at Washington by Simplex Time Recorder company; and a new boiler and electrical panel to be installed at Washington by Moran Oil Company, and the corridors of Washington have had acoustical tile installed.

A new sidewalk has been completed in front of the buildings on Bridge Street.

The summer maintenance program is supervised by Wayne Welch, District Maintenance Supervisor, and in addition to the regular custodians Tom Hall, Bob Heisterman, Beulah Hall and Irene Kyser; they have been assisted by high school students employed both by the district and under the Neighborhood Youth Corps program. Gordon Crowston has supervised the NYC students and Ed Cassel has been in charge of ground maintenance this summer.

Open date for both elementary and high school is slated as Tuesday, September 4 with registration scheduled as follows:

Grade Registration:

Registration for the elementary school students new to the district will take place August 31 at the Washington Grade School building and general inquiries about registration, attendance boundaries, and the elementary program for the three elementary schools, Washington, Lincoln and Mist, should be directed to the office at Washington, phone 429-7341. All Students will report for a full day of school September 4.

Washington School will house the kindergarten and grades three through eighth.

Lincoln School, located on West Bridge Street, serves grades one and two for all students and bus students in the Vernonia area.

Mist school serves all students grades one through six that live in the Mist-Birkenfeld area. The Mist bus comes as far south as Dick Johnson's to pick up elementary students for the Mist School.

All seventh and eighth graders in the district attend Washington School and all students, grades nine through twelve, attend Vernonia High.

Edward Forbes, elementary principal states that registration for elementary students new to the area will be at the Washington School office from 1 to 3 p.m., Friday, August 31.

Teachers will be in their respective rooms on registration day, Friday, to give parents and

Vernonia Preschool

Monday, August 20, there will be a parent meeting at the first christian church at 1 p.m. This will be the last registration day for all 3- and 4-year-olds. It will also be the first meeting of the year for already registered parents. Everyone please attend. For more information call Mrs. Port 429-8643.

Oldtimers To Meet Aug. 19

Oldtimers in the Vernonia area hope that Sunday, August 19 will be as nice and sunny as has the past few weeks have been for that's the date for the annual Old Timers Picnic.

The yearly event, which first began in 1958 with a picnic held in Creston Park in Portland, regularly draws a crowd of people with nearly 400 in attendance last year.

Since 1968 VHS graduates have also been included in the Vernonia Society's invitation to meet and reminisce.

This year the picnic will be held at Anderson Park in Vernonia with registration to start at 10 a.m. As an added attraction the Camp 8 Caboose and Lunch-room Schools will also hold their reunion with all those interested in getting acquainted and re-acquainted, urged to attend.

students an opportunity to meet their teachers and to receive instructions for the first full day of school, September 4.

Kindergarten: Parents of kindergarten students and first graders entering school for the first time are reminded that state laws require these students to have a health examination and birth certificate. Immunizations are now required, also. (See story page 2).

To enter kindergarten students must be five years old on or before November 15 and six years old on or before November 15 to enter first grade.

The kindergarten will have two sessions, a morning session, starting at 8:40 a.m. and running until 11:30 a.m. and an afternoon session from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. High School:

Vernonia High School classes begin on Tuesday, September 4. All students that pre-registered last spring will be mailed class schedules and registration information. The individual student schedule should be discussed with parents. Those who pre-registered will not have to report to school until opening day unless they have schedule changes or other problems.

The high school office is now open from Monday through Friday during regular school hours. Although August 31 is scheduled as registration day, all students new to the school district this

year and any that have questions or need assistance are encouraged to visit the school or phone 429-3521 before that date if that date is inconvenient.

Pre-registered students who desire changes in their classes and all those not pre-registered should report to the high school library August 31, unless they have had program changes approved by the counselors prior to

that date. Schools hours at the high school for the new school year will be from 8:40 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. and from 1 to 3:40 p.m. Textbooks will be furnished to students on a rental basis through the high school bookstore. Texts and related materials will be distributed to students during the first regular meetings of the classes.



HARRY FRANKLIN, a Mist area resident, believes you can fight city hall as he prepares to sue Columbia County following the county's suit which contended that Franklin was in violation of the building and sanitation codes.

Fire Closure Now In Effect

The State Forester of Oregon, J.E. Schroeder has announced there will be a fire closure in area 5-R which includes the hills north and west of Scappoose and those west of St. Helens and the Vernonia area in Columbia County.

The closure, which is effective at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, August 16, has been put into effect due to the drought conditions prevailing in the area and the extra fire hazard, and restricts the use of such land under closure except as to the owner's right of entry on his property.

Entry is unlawful in this area unless the following restrictions are followed:

1. Smoking is prohibited while traveling in timber, brush or grass areas except inside vehicles on roads.

2. Building a campfire or other open fire except as a posted designated campground is prohibited.

Roads will be posted and descriptions and maps of the area are on file in the State Forester's office in Salem, and at the district headquarters offices of the Forest Protection District.

Mist-Area Resident Believes "Go Fight City Hall"

Harry Franklin, a resident of the Mist area, believes that building and sanitation codes are an infringement of personal rights and unconstitutional, and he intends to try and prove it by suing Columbia County.

Franklin - who has a permit for a septic tank, began building a house several weeks ago on land he purchased two years ago - was sued by Columbia County following a "stop work" order, for a violation of the building and sanitation codes.

Although Franklin agrees that there should be regulations dealing with buildings which are open to the public, such as stores and civic buildings, he says, "I don't think it should matter to any county or state government

Final Jamboree Meet Held Wednesday Eve.

The windup meeting of the '73 Jamboree was held last Wednesday, August 8, at the JC hall. The group was small - with only thirteen being there, but enthusiastic.

Officers were elected for next year's jamboree with Dick Sterns, chairman; Gerald Russell, vice-chairman; Henry Ad-deregg, parade chairman; Louise Hamnett, secretary; Pat Goodman, treasurer; and Alice Menary will be in charge of the court again in 1974.

Many good ideas were brought out. The logging show will be back again along with the carnival. Many favorable comments were made on the Water Olympics and the marathon race.

Any ideas and suggestions will be welcome by the group along with any help offered.

what an individual does as far as building a private home on his own property."

Franklin admits he has now filed an application for a building permit as he hopes to finish his home before winter sets in but he is violently opposed to having to follow these procedures and thinks there are probably many people in the Columbia County area who feel the same about the matter.

As Franklin carries on his battle against bureaucratic takeover of rights of individuals he hopes others will join him in the fight by backing him financially.

Franklin, a veteran of WW II, said, "If I win my suit, I plan to go on to other counties; if I lose, I'll carry my case to the highest court in the land but I can't do it if people don't back me up."

If Franklin should win, he plans to file suit against the county to reimburse the people who have purchased building permits in the past; and, he wants damages paid to these individuals.

"It will cost me \$500 because I started building without a permit," Franklin said, "but I plan to try and get my money back and the money for other people who have been harassed by county building officials as I have."

Franklin maintains that what a person owns is of no concern to anyone else; least of all governmental agencies adding, "I hope people here will back me in this fight because it's not just mine alone but a battle for everyone who wants to build on his own personal property."

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C.E. STEVENS

"a word to the wives"

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WHITE'S HOME FURNISHINGS

PICTURE of the Week: A word to the wives would be that the town is Vernonia - not Ver-