

## VHS Rally Falls Short Of Victory

The Vernonia Loggers fell short of a victory Saturday, December 8, when they traveled to Banks to play the Class AA Braves.

The first quarter looked pretty gray for the Loggers, as Banks outscored them by twelve points. The period ended with the score Vernonia eight and Banks twenty.

In the second period the Loggers added four more field goals than did the opposition, but fouls kept the lead out of their grasp in the first half. The half ended seeing a score of 34-24 the Loggers on the short end.

Vernonia outscored the Braves by two points in the third period, as Logger fans began thinking a victory was in the making. The quarter ended with the score at 36 to 44.

The last period went fast when the Loggers began to press the home team and they fought their way to within six points of the lead before the buzzer sounded to end the game.

Coach Curtis believes the material is there if the team gets its defense together, and keeps its present attitude. The Loggers travel to Neah-Kah-Nie Tuesday, December 18.

## Wrestlers Take Loss From Neah-Kah-Nie

Last Thursday night the Vernonia Loggers wrestled the Neah-Kah-Nie Pirates on their home mat but were defeated by the double "A" school.

Five of the wrestlers won their match: Rob Hanson, 106 lbs., took his match in the first round; Gayle Slaughter, 115 lbs., also got his in the first round; Jim Thompson wrestling 157 lbs. beat his opponent in the second round; Loy Moore weighing 168 defeated his man in the first round and Dan McLean, 191 lbs., took his match in the first round.

Cary Holsey one of the freshman wrestlers weighing 115 lbs., tied his match at 16-16. The wrestlers were defeated 32 to 41.

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## Parrow Warns Bus Riders

Recently some of the VHS students who ride the buses home have been getting in the way of the buses while they are trying to park and load.

To discourage this behavior and perhaps to prevent someone from getting injured, Principal Arthur Parrow came up with three suggestions. The suggestions were announced to the student body over the intercom system Tuesday, December 4.

The first suggestion was to extend the school day until buses are parked and ready to load. Second, have students load the buses in the lane between the grade school and the high school. The third suggestion was to have all students stay in the building until buses are ready to load.

These three suggestions need not to be put into effect if students riding the bus act civilized and mature, instead of acting like wild animals ripping each other apart to get into the bus.

## Some Toys Not Fully Enjoyed

It's almost Christmas time, the favorite time of the year for manufacturers and big business.

Christmas decorations have been out since October. Merchants have been advertising "Christmas Specials" even before Halloween was over.

The stores are filled with all kinds of new toys and games for the Christmas Season, including, expensive gadgets they want people to buy for the kids. Buying expensive toys for kids seems rather silly. Little kids sometimes have more fun playing with the box or the wrapping than they do with the toy that is inside.

People buy expensive paint sets when the child would probably have more fun with a box of crayons and some paper or a coloring book.

Before one buys an expensive toy for a child, we should stop to consider whether or not the child might have more fun playing with a set of measuring spoons they could find in the kitchen.

## Sauvies Provides Ducks for Students

Dave Clason, Mr. Carol Clason, Jim King and Dale Webb went duck hunting on Sauvies Island, December 1.

Jim and Dave had selected the same unit in which they had hunted the last time they were at Sauvies, and Mr. Clason and Dale hunted a unit in which they had never hunted. As the trip turned out, Mr. Clason and Dale had the better success with Dale bagging two mallards and one widgeon and Mr. Clason bagging two mallards. Jim and Dale were skunked in their favorite unit except for the Mallard drake they found crippled in the water. The weather conditions were too good and this put the birds high in the sky.

## School Menu

Mon., Dec. 17 - Spaghetti, green beans, tossed salad, cinnamon rolls, milk  
Tues., Dec. 18 - Turkey, chow mein, white rice, rolls, jello, cookies, milk  
Wed., Dec. 19 - Sloppy Joes, corn, fruit, cookies, milk  
Thurs., Dec. 20 - Mashed Potatoes, hamburger gravy, peanut butter, honey sandwiches, fruit, milk  
Fri., Dec. 21 - Hot dogs, dill pickle rings, potato chips, ice cream, milk

## Student Council Minutes - - -

The meeting was called to order December 5, by president Steve Johnston with Dick Brunman leading the council in the flag salute.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Student Council fund raising ideas were discussed. Chris Collins suggested maybe a dance on December 14, but Arthur Parrow, principal, stated that there is another dance scheduled on that date. Sandy Tupper then asked if a Christmas tree sale would go over. There was some discussion and the question was dropped.

Parrow said activities could be banned due to the energy crisis. Dewey Conroy asked the council to start thinking about a Christmas present for Jaime Reynolds.

The Christmas assembly was next on the agenda. There was some discussion. Connie Kyser is to ask Mrs. Juanita Arrant if part of the Hawaiian Program can be used.

Volunteers were asked to help on the Christmas program. They are as follows: Dick Brunman, Dewey Conroy, Renee Reck, Connie Kyser, Vicki Gilliland, Steve Johnston and Sandy Tupper.

The senior class volunteered to furnish the tree in the main hall this year.

Student Council is in charge of the concessions at the Banks game. JV first half - Vicki Gilliland and Sandy Tupper. Second half - Connie Kyser and Renee Reck. Varsity first half - Judi Eide and Dawn Beamish. Second half - Mark Hopkins and Randy Hanson.

Language Club petitioned to have a party at Miss Frank's house December 10, from 7 to 10 p.m. The petition passed.

The Freshman class petitioned a bake sale December 11, during the noon hour at both the high school and grade school.

Eight grader, Dan Samples proposed to keep the outdoor bulletin board up to date. His proposal was accepted.

Chris Collins inquired about the fire drill list. It will be made up as soon as possible.

Steve Johnston wrote to Earl Blumenhaver and asked him to speak at a special student body assembly, but has not received any answer.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandra Tupper

## VHS "Stats" Class Is Gathering Data

The Statistics class will be doing nine week projects for Ken Roberts that should have very interesting results.

The projects will take about three weeks to complete and will make up 50 percent of the nine week's grade. As an added bonus, anyone getting a "one" will not have to take the semester test. To complete the project, the students will need to use everything that the class had learned the first semester.

The projects have to be normal distributions, so the students can graph and find averages and other important statistics. Some of the statistics that will be discovered are about shoe sizes, football scores, grade point averages, test scores, and other physical characteristics.

In the next few weeks, the statistics students will be asking about other students and the faculties vital statistics and measurements. It shouldn't alarm anyone, it's all in the name of mathematics.

## JVs Suffer Defeat On Home Court

The Vernonia Loggers JV Basketball Squad suffered a 51 to 54 loss to the Banks Braves on the Vernonia Court Friday, December 7.

The game started off with an optimistic first quarter when the Loggers had a 13 to 7 lead at the end of the period.

The end of the half saw a 25 to 25 tie, with Harold Pittman of Banks leading all scorers with ten points. Brian Traylor had eight, and Ron Gardner had six to lead Logger scores.

To start the second half Chris Crowston came on for Vernonia to score ten points and kept the Loggers one point behind the Braves with a third quarter score of 38 to 39.

The fourth period was lacking neither excitement or spirit when Randy Parrow and Chris Crowston fouled out and the game ended with the score Vernonia 51, and Banks 54.

The JV's will travel to Neah-Kah-Nie with the Varsity Squad Tuesday, December 18.

## VHS Student Enjoys New Locker Door

At the beginning of the school year, Chris Collins was issued a locker with a faulty door. This door was brutally assaulted throughout the school year by many students. As the year progressed the hinges gave out one at a time until the bottom hinge was the only one left. The door was maliciously attacked and removed from the one remaining hinge by a brutal person who shall remain nameless.

Chris continued to use this door even though it was hingeless. Then one evening after basketball practice, he went to his locker and the door was missing. After hours of searching and questioning eye witnesses, the door was located in the first stall of the ladies' room. He refused to go in after it, and had a senior girl retrieve it for him. He then delivered it to the office as a Christmas present for the principal.

After veiled threats by both parties the situation was resolved by moving Chris to another locker and replacing the door on his old locker. After witnessing the fine quality of work done on his old locker he promptly relocated himself back where he had started. He particularly likes his new door because it is the only green one in all of VHS.

## Language Club Meets With FTA In Room 3

Last Thursday, December 6, F.T.A. and Language Club had a meeting in Room 3 to discuss the two clubs getting together to stuff Christmas stockings for underprivileged children in the Portland area.

Chris Collins and Ronda Smith are the two Red Cross Representatives from Vernonia. They both received information from the Red Cross organization concerning stuffing stockings. Since Chris is president of Language Club and Ronda is president of F.T.A., they decided to have both clubs get together.

Each person was told to ask two or more people to help them put candy and other things in the stockings and write the names of the people they will have help them on a piece of paper to give to the advisors at the meeting next week.

## Ten VHS Students Are Enrolled At OSU

There are currently 10 Vernonia High School graduates attending Oregon State University, with a total of 101 students from Columbia County enrolled at OSU.

St. Helens has 29 students, Scappoose 19, Clatskanie 14, Rainier 11, Warren 6, Columbia City 7, and Deer Island 2.

Clatsop County has 112 students at the Corvallis school. Of the total enrollment of 15,517 nearly 13,000 are from Oregon. Forty-eight of the 50 states and 61 foreign countries are represented in the student body.

## Six Students Take Betty Crocker Test

On December 4, six VHS students took a Betty Crocker test sponsored by General Mills for a scholarship.

The six students were Greg Bellingham, Dan Brunk, Scott Cameron, Judy Meier, Roxanne O'Neil, and Vickie Serby.

The students won't know the results of the contest for approximately six weeks.

## SAWDUST

The students in forestry are making fishing poles which range from fly poles to salmon poles. Usually only the students in forestry make poles, but this year a couple of other individuals were, hesitatingly, allowed to make them.

The Vernonia High School Teachers will have their annual Christmas party in the high school Home Economics room Friday, December 19.

Ward Nelson was absent from school Thursday, December 6, and Dewey Conroy entertained the chorus by playing his guitar and singing.

On Tuesday, there was a repairman out in the hall seventh period fixing and filling the milk machine that has been broken down for about a month.

This History classes have discussed world problems for the last two days, instead of working out of the book.

Steve Johnston was riding a ten-speed down the halls of VHS Monday afternoon.

Larry Borglund, a VHS graduate of 1971, visited the high school December 5 while on leave from the navy.

## Donna Willard Gives Unusual Speech

The members of the VHS speech class have been giving process demonstrations in class this past week.

The most complicated and unusual one was given by Donna Willard, who showed how to put on scuba diving equipment. While she did this she gave a speech on scuba diving, and scuba diving equipment.

Donna's speech was so successful that Mrs. Alvina Hearing invited Chris Boyle's psychology class to come in near the end of the period, while she gave a part of her speech over, as she removed parts of her scuba diving equipment.

The total weight of her equipment is approximately fifty pounds. The cost of the equipment is about four hundred dollars. Donna said that it takes ten weeks of lessons, one and one-half hours in class, and one and one-half hours in the pool, each week, to receive a certificate.

Donna has received her certificate and is a qualified NAUI (National Association of Underwater Instructors) scuba diver.

## VHS Seniors Choose Blue Announcements

Tuesday, December 4, the Seniors and the Freshman held class meetings.

The seniors chose their announcements which will be blue with a dark blue trimming, gold crest and gold printing. January 3, Paul Naudain from Master Engravers Inc. will be here to take their orders.

The class also looked at class keys, necklaces, etc., and will fill out orders for them soon.

This will be the first year in many that the Senior class will graduate in two different colors; they will be Princess Blue for the girls robes and Regal Blue for the boys.

The class has also turned in their full names to be printed on their diplomas.

Freshman met and discussed money projects. They petitioned to have a bake sale last Tuesday at both the grade school and the high school, which was a Christmas bake sale.

They also will petition to have a Christmas Dance December 14 and have decided that it will be informal.

## NHS Holds Meeting To Plan Christmas

At the start of the week, NHS had a meeting to discuss the traditional jobs the group has at the Christmas program.

Sacking candy is a tradition for the club. The group and their advisor, Ward Nelson, talked about ordering the "goodies" that the sacks contain.

They picked a committee, open to anyone that is willing to work, to decorate the booth in which Santa Claus will sit.

Next, they discussed tap in, the choosing of new members, and about initiating them into the club at the Christmas program.

Money-making ideas were also discussed and they made a list of members of the Chamber of Commerce to ask donations from them for their club.

Wool prices are up about 30 percent over a year ago.

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## JV Team Fights Way To A Victory

The JV basketball team showed their endurance with a 41-40 victory over the Braves, on Bank's home court.

The first half was very drawn out because of the score difference, with the Vernonia team out-scoring the Bank's team by almost 3 to 2, with a half time score of 24-14. The VHS team racked up 15 fouls in the first half.

During the second half the JV's scored 14 points to the Braves 13, which put the score at 38-27 as the third quarter closed. Three of the top Vernonia five had fouled out by the middle of the fourth quarter. The Banks offense dominated the fourth quarter by out-scoring the Vernonia team 13-3.

High scorers for the JV's were Kris Crowston, 11; Ken Enneberg, 8; Bob Brooks, 8.

## Pep Assembly Held Before First Game

The Pep Assembly was held last Friday before the Bank's game.

The skit was the most exciting part of the pep assembly. The cheerleaders placed some teachers on one side and the cheerleaders and a student on the other side; they placed Mr. Taylor on his hands and knees with two towels on his back.

The teachers proceeded to bargain for the student by filling cups with water and putting them on Mr. Taylor's back. After they were finished, they left Mr. Taylor in the middle of the floor with five cups of water on his back.

He cleverly turned over fast enough so he didn't get wet. The moral of the skit was "A good wrestler never gets pinned."



## THOSE WHO SERVE

U.S. Air Force Master Sergeant James R. Caywood, son of U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer and Mrs. James D. Caywood, Rt. 1, Banks, has arrived for duty at Ent AFB, Colo.

Sergeant Caywood, a computer systems technician with a unit of the Aerospace Defense Command, previously served at Ubon Royal Thai AFB, Thailand. He is a 1958 graduate of Vernonia High School.

Dean R. Tankersley, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Tankersley, has reported for duty at Whidbey Island following completion of training in San Diego, California. He is with the commissary division of the navy.

Friends may write Dean at the following address: Dean R. Tankersley, SUG Division, NAS Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor, Washington 98278.

## Steelhead Strike Lines In Nehalem

There were scattered reports of steelhead having been caught in the Nehalem river this last week.

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