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TOWN TOPICS

A belated birthday dinner for Mrs. Sylvia Falconer was held at the home of her sister, Mrs. Nell Thacker on Sunday. It was revealed at the dinner that it was the 47th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Falconer. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stowell of Buxton and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Thacker.

Mrs. Nell Thacker was surprised recently by a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stipe who had just returned from Puerto Rico where he was stationed with the Sea Bees. Mrs. Stipe is the former Patty Rosser. They are now stationed at Port Huememe, California.

COMING SOON - The American Legion Auxiliary will hold a Rummage Sale. Watch for announcement of date and time. itfc

Mrs. Bruce (Hazel) McDonald is hospitalized after a fall in which she fractured two bones in her back. Her doctor reports she is doing well but will be in the hospital for a month or more.

Mrs. McDonald moved to Vernonia in 1920 and lived here until going to Portland in 1972. She would love to receive cards from all her old friends.
Her address is: Room 621, Providence Hospital—Portland 97213.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carmichael were visitors at the home of his mother, Mrs. Laura Carmichael, Sunday.

After over a week of travel by car through about the worst weather they have ever encountered, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goodman arrived at their home in Nenana, Alaska.

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Wm. M. Bridgers Services Read

William H. Bridgers, 89-year-old longtime resident of the Mist and Vernonia areas and late of Forest Grove died Monday, January 14 at Forest Grove.

Funeral services were held at the Fuiten Mortuary Chapel, Vernonia Thursday, January 17 at 1 p.m.

Russell Vinyard, pastor of the Vernonia Christian Church, conducted the services with Mrs. William Kretschmer, soloist and Mrs. Frank Serafin, organist. Lodge rites at the services were under the auspices of Clatskanie Lodge No. 133 A.F. and A.M. with Glen Hawkins performing the work. Concluding rites and vault interment were at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery with Sam Hearing Jr., Wilfred Holce, Thomas Tomlin, Emanuel Johnston, John Karasti and Fred Grannis serving as pall bearers.

Mr. Bridgers was born in Washington county, Arkansas on November 25, 1884 and spent his early life there. He came to the Nehalem Valley in 1913 to work for the Kerry Timber company. He was married to Jane DeRock, whose family were homesteaders on the Burn area near Mist, on December 1, 1914 at Vancouver, Washington. In May 1921 they bought the store and post office at Mist and lived in the building and operated the store and was Postmaster there until he retired in 1948.

Mr. Bridgers then moved to Vernonia and resided there for twenty-five years and last September moved to his present home at 3624 23rd Avenue in Forest Grove.

Mr. Bridgers was a member of the Vernonia Christian Church and had served as an Elder in the Church for twelve years. He was also a life member of the Clatskanie Masonic Lodge which he had been a member of since 1926. He was also a member of the Royal Arch Mason's in St. Helens, of the Tancred Commandry and Al Kader temple of the Shrine.

Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Janet Bridgers, Forest Grove and a number of nieces and nephews, three of which they raised from childhood: they are, Mrs. Ray (Bertie) Mills of Cornelius; Mrs. Kenneth (Irene) Smith, Willamina; and Melvin DeRock of Hillsboro. He was preceded in death by his nine brothers and two sisters.

Rites Held For George Snyder

George F. Snyder, 36-year-old resident of 730 S.E. 24th, Hillsboro, died January 17 at a Portland hospital. He had heart surgery last October and was hospitalized for additional surgery at the time of his death.

Funeral services were held at the Fuiten, Mortuary Chapel, Hillsboro Monday January 21 at 11 a.m. Rev. Henry Brown of Woodburn and Rev. James Kinsey of Hillsboro, conducted the services with Dick Thompson, soloist.

Concluding rites and vault interment were at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery with Lodge rites under the auspices of the Moose Lodge No. 247 of Hillsboro.

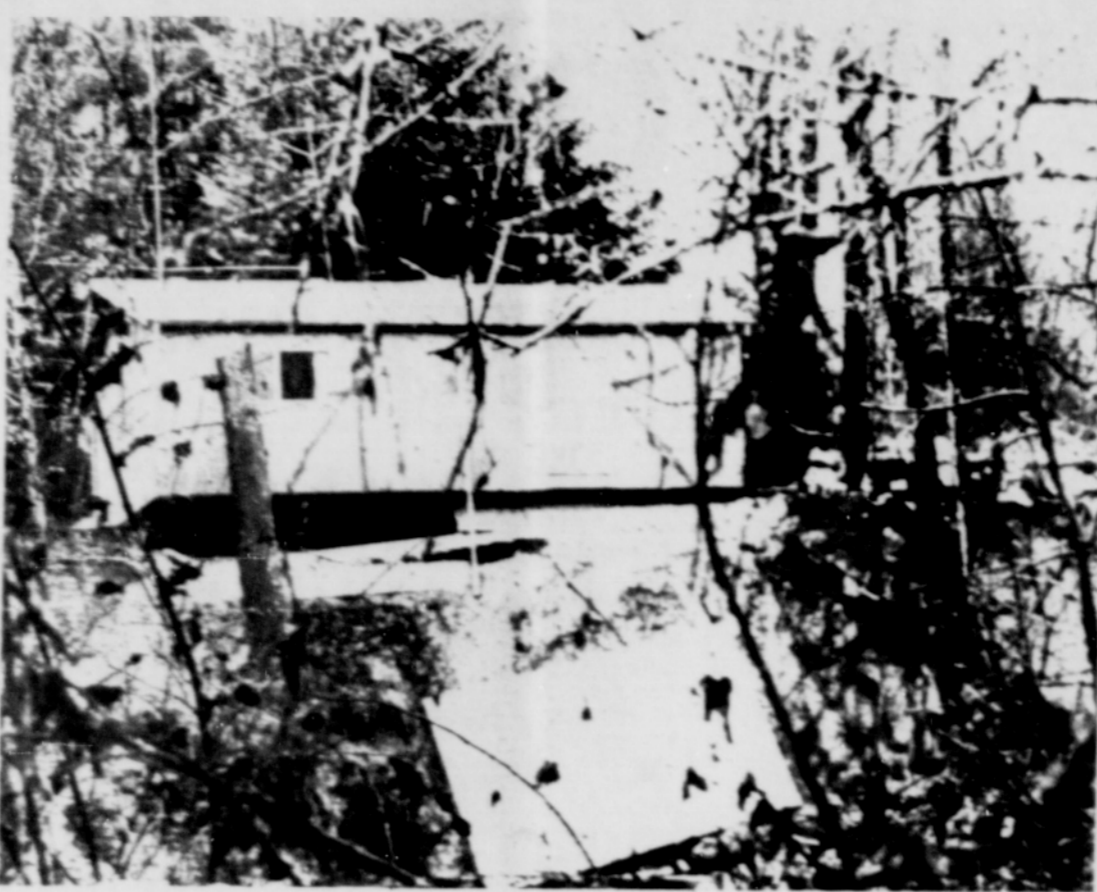
George Snyder was born at Orleans, Nebraska on November 5, 1937, the son of Nellie Shaver and the late Carl A. Snyder. He came with his family to Vernonia in 1945 and attended grade and high school in Vernonia and after graduation worked at the Oregon American Mill in Vernonia. He later lived ten years in Lebanon where he worked in the U.S. Plywood Mill there and then eight years ago moved to Hillsboro. Since living in Hillsboro he has been a television repairman working for Sears at Swan Island.

Mr. Snyder was a former member of the Vernonia Christian Church; a member of the Moose Lodge No. 247 at Hillsboro and had been an outdoor man enjoying hunting, fishing and motorcycle riding.

He was married to Danna Harlan on September 23, 1955 in Portland who survives at the family home. Also surviving are four children, Carlene L., George A., Martin J. and Deanna D. Snyder, all of Hillsboro.

Additional survivors include his mother, Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Schmidlin of Vernonia; two brothers, Floyd of California and Bert Snyder, Scappoose; and two sisters, Mrs. Donovan (Edna) Reynolds, Vernonia and Mrs. Charles (Velma) Harders, Montesano, Washington.

It takes only one tree to make a million matches. It takes only one match to destroy a million trees.



FLOOD DAMAGE to the foundation of Robert Kaymeyer's house completely destroyed a portion of the back with the patio roof seen lying on the bank of the Nehalem River below the house which is located on Pebble Creek Road.

At present there is some speculation as to whether the house will remain on the foundation of slip further.

—Robert Rhoades Photo

The People Speak . . .

Editor's Note: This is one of the many interesting letters received by Vernonia Police Department for the Vernonia Heart Machine Fund.

Vernonia Ambulance Fund:
I am sending you \$5.00 for the trauma fund in honor of Mr. William Bridgers.

I am not a resident of Vernonia now but lived in that community many years. My parents moved up Rock Creek in 1890, and as Mrs. Clive A. Mills lived in Vernonia near fifty years. Our children were born and grew up there. We had no ambulance, part of the time no doctor. So now I am past 90 years, so am glad to send a little check to the Trauma Fund.

Respectfully Yours,
Mrs. Clive (Teck) Mills
Cornelius

May I give my heartfelt thanks to the wonderful fireman who came to lift our heavy furniture up on chairs last Tuesday during the flood?

My husband was in Portland at the doctor and I don't mind telling you I was plenty scared with the water rising so fast.

We feel very fortunate to have moved to Vernonia where there are so many volunteers to lend a helping hand.

Thanks also to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gileson and Merle Cline for their help.

I don't know the gentlemen who helped me but do appreciate their help.

Again, I say thank you.
Mrs. John Kudrna

To the People of Vernonia:
Mayor Sherman Fisher and the Vernonia City Council would like to thank the firemen, policemen and all other volunteers for their services during the flood.

Also thanks go to the citizens who provided food for the volunteer workers and housing for people forced to evacuate their homes.

It is people like those who make Vernonia special.

We wish to thank you again.
Mayor Sherman Fisher
Vernonia City Council

Services Pending For Florence Lane

Florence Messing Lane, 70, formerly of Vernonia, died Wednesday morning, January 23 at the Tuality Hospital in Hillsboro. Arrangements for the funeral services are pending at Fuiten Mortuary Chapel.

Services Pending For Mrs. Blanche DeWitt

Mrs. Blanche DeWitt, a former resident of Vernonia, died Monday in Pasco, Washington, where she had lived with her son, Don DeWitt for several years.

Funeral services will be held at the Fuiten Mortuary Chapel in Vernonia Saturday, January 26, at 1 p.m. with burial at The Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

Birkenfeld Resident Passes Away Jan. 23

May B. Mills, 81, resident of Fishhawk Road, Birkenfeld, died Wednesday morning, January 23 at the Tuality Hospital, Hillsboro. Funeral arrangements are pending at Haakinson Funeral Home in Clatskanie.

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Great Bear Lake in the Northwest Territories, is frozen most of the year but when thawed provides good fishing.

Police Report

POLICE REPORT

1-10-74-William Bokoskie reported the theft of gasoline.

1-10-74a report of an assault occurring outside the city limits.

1-12-74-Ray Roady, 831 3rd Ave. reported the theft of a spare tire and wheel, Firestone brand, rayon, 8 ply, 750x16 and 1 blue tool box with mis. tools, total loss \$60.

1-13-74-a juvenile was taken into custody for violation of curfew (3:10 a.m.)

1-14-74-assisted Columbia County Sheriff Dept. on a shooting case.

1-18-74-At 4:30 p.m. at the corner of Jefferson and Bridge an adult and a juvenile were taken into custody and charged with criminal activities in drugs. (Felony)

1-19-74-Henry Anderegg reported the theft of 100 cement blocks from the rear of the Alpine Lanes. Also vandalism to the front of the building.
1-19-74-Laddie Novak, 1003 Clatsop Street reported the theft of gasoline.
1-20-74-three runaway Juveniles were reported. They were later apprehended in San Bernardino, California.

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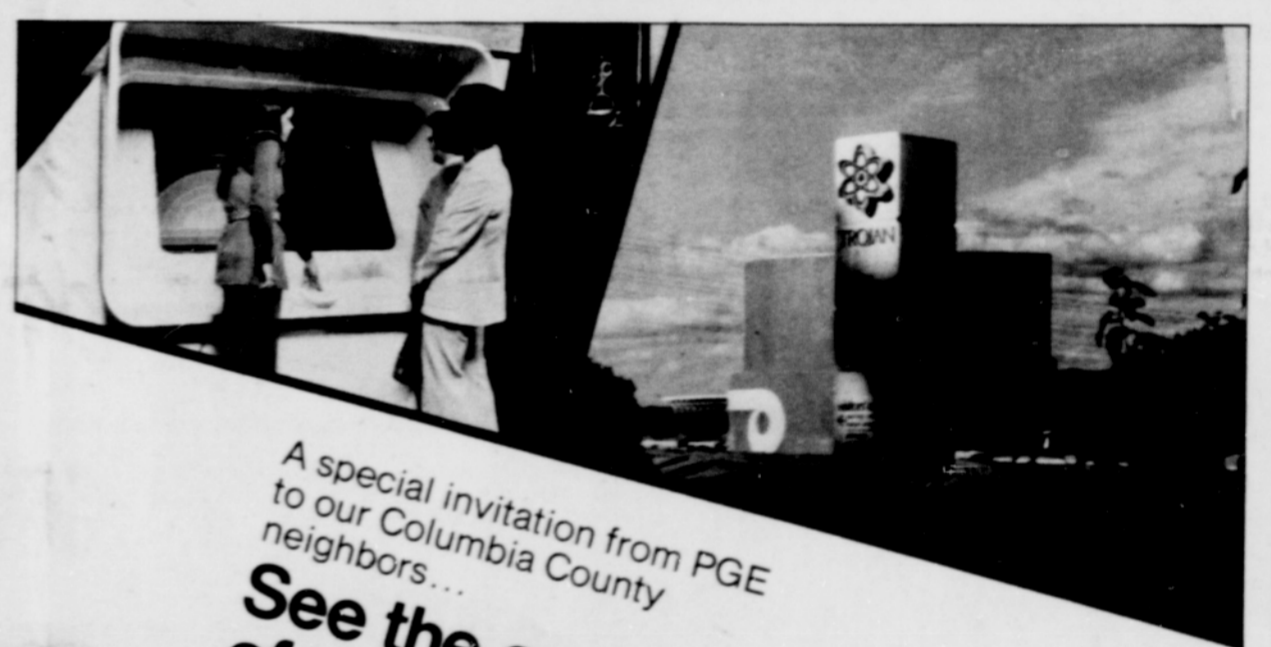
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