



## STEAMER COQUILLE IS NOW RUNNING

Coquille River Transportation Co. Gives First Class Service

### NEW BOAT MAKES FAST TIME

The new steamer Coquille which was built by the Coquille River Transportation Co. for use on the river between Bandon and the county seat, was put into regular operation last week, and she is now doing service every day. She leaves Bandon at 6:30 in the morning and connects with the trains for Myrtle Point and Coos Bay at Coquille, and returns to Bandon, arriving here about 11:30. She is in fine condition, and can make good time, although as yet they have not tried to speed her up, however, she made the run between here and Coquille in one hour and 53 minutes, which is not slow. The Coquille is in command of Capt. White, who has been running the Dispatch ever since she was built. Moss Averill is the purser. The Coquille is a fine boat especially built for speed, and carries only passengers. The accommodations are first class and the cabins are exceedingly comfortable. She is a big addition to the service of the Transportation Co., which is giving first class service in every particular.

There are three boats of this company now running between here and Coquille. The Coquille leaves Bandon at 6:30 a. m. and makes the connections mentioned; the Dispatch leaves Bandon at 7:00 in the morning, making the round trip and carrying the mail and freight as well as passengers; the Favorite leaves Coquille at 7:30 in the morning, arriving in Bandon at 10:30, and remains here until 1:30 in the afternoon, giving the up river people a chance to trade here and get back the same day. This is the best service ever given on the river, and as soon as the trains make two trips a day between the Bay and the Point again, the Coquille will make two round trips, thus making the service still better.

### Buys Fine Plymouth Rocks

C. H. Chandler has bought the fine flock of Plymouth Rock chickens, formerly owned by J. P. De Gesen, and has also purchased the other paraphernalia of Mr. De Gesen in connection with his poultry business, and Mr. Chandler will embark in the poultry business on a large scale. This is one of the finest flocks of Plymouth Rock chickens in Oregon, and as Mr. Chandler is a hustler and understands the poultry business from A to Z, he will no doubt meet with great success in his enterprise. Anyone wanting first class, high grade Plymouth Rocks will do well to see Mr. Chandler at his ranch on the plank road.

### Myrtle Point Woman Dead

Myrtle Point, Ore., Dec. 28—Mrs. L. C. Bargelt, wife of Editor Bargelt of the Myrtle Point Enterprise, died at her home here last Saturday night after a long illness. She was preceded in death two or three days by their infant child.

There is deep regret here over the young woman's death as she has

made hosts of friends throughout this section during her few years residence here. She came here from Nebraska with Mr. Bargelt.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bargelt of Marshfield arrived here Saturday noon and will remain until after the funeral.

### G. A. R. Ball

The G. A. R. Ball Christmas eve was a decided success in every particular, the costumes were beyond description, and the large Oriental hall was filled to its capacity. The financial end was also a success, and the supper served by the W. R. C. was one of the best ever given in the city.

This ball was one of the leading social events of the season and the "Boys" are to be congratulated upon their success.

We give below a card of thanks by the G. A. R. and a list of the prizes, donors and winners:

On part of the G. A. R. and Women's Relief Corps, the receptions and entertainment committees desire to express through your columns their sincere and heartfelt thanks to the following estimable ladies and gentlemen for their assistance, and to the public for their liberal patronage of our ball and supper at Oriental hall Xmas eve. As follows: Moss Averill, Wm. Marshall, G. T. Treadgold and C. R. Wade for their kind assistance as floor managers, to A. Felner, C. R. Wade and Mrs. G. T. Treadgold as judges for the awarding of the several prizes.

Following is the list of prizes and the donors and winners of same.

Armed rocking chair, Bandon Furniture company, Mrs. A. W. Buell (old woman)

Stetson hat, Smith Bros. & Sidwell, A. W. Buell (old man)

Hand painted placque, R. W. Boyle, Miss Hoyt, "prettiest costume" (flower girl)

Gent's watch-fob and chain, F. Van Norden, J. H. Johnston, finest costume of gentlemen (U. S. cavalryman)

Pair fine shoes, A. J. Hartman, Claud Adams [Uncle Sam]

Fine umbrella, Skeels and Lorenz, Howard Culver [Bandon Tuff]

Pair ladies' skates, Bandon Hardware Co.; Lottie Cary [Buster Brow]

Fine umbrella, Rosa Co, Erma Craine (Mary Jane)

Gent's shaving set, O. A. Trowbridge, J. L. Conger [Best gentleman dancer]

Pair ladies' fine tie shoes, M. Bruer, Juel Lint [Best lady dancer]

Decorated salad dish, A. McNair, Miss Bessie De Long, [comical lady]

Decorated cake dish, A. McNair, Mrs. Dr. Sorenson [Chi nese lady]

Box cigars, J. T. Mars, George Manciet, most comical gent (Chinaman)

Box cigars, J. T. Mars, Stanley Jenkins, second comical gentleman character [Jester]

One silver dollar, Bank of Bandon, Mrs. Chris Rasmussen (old sailor of Sixties)

### Presbyterian Church

Preaching at the Presbyterian Church the first and third Sundays of each month, both morning and evening. Sunday School and young people's meeting every Sunday.

Visitors and transients are cordially invited.

GEO. H. ROACH, pastor, A. HABERLY, temporary supply.

For Sale—A complete course in civil engineering in the I C S will be sold cheap. Inquire at this office.

## HON. BINGER HERMANN REPORTS TO COQUILLE RIVER CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

Is Doing Good Work at Washington, D. C. in the Interests of Coquille River and the Dredging of the River for Several Miles Up

### IS VERY HOPEFUL OF ULTIMATE SUCCESS IN THE PROPOSITION

Stephen Gallier, Secretary of the Bandon Chamber of Commerce, has received the following report from Hon. Binger Hermann, who is at Washington, D. C. as a special representative of the interests of the Coquille River bar and harbor, and we presume the organizations at Coquille and Myrtle Point are in receipt of similar reports.

Below we give what Mr. Hermann says:

Washington, D. C., December 15th, 1908—To the Chambers of Commerce of Coquille City, Bandon and Myrtle Point, Oregon.

As your delegate for the Coquille River Valley, I appeared before the Great National Rivers and Harbors, Congress, which assembled here on the 9th instant continuing in session four days. It was a most noted assemblage. More than 3000 delegates presented their credentials from all portions of the Nation, including Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Addresses were made by the Vice-President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Ambassadors of Great Britain and Brazil, Andrew Carnegie, Ex-Mayor Low of New York City, Samuel Gompers of the Confederation of Labor, Secretary Garfield of the Interior Department, Secretary Wilson of the Agricultural Department; Senators Dewey of New York, Owen of Oklahoma, Freeman of Florida, and Governors Deneen of Illinois, Br ward of Florida, Johnson of Minnesota, and Governor Chamberlain of our own state, with several members of Congress.

The day previous to the Rivers and Harbors Congress, I attended the convention of the governors of the various states, in connection with the Conservation Commission, which was addressed by President Roosevelt, President Elect Taft, and by Governor Chamberlain of Oregon. In all these addresses there was expressed earnest advocacy and advanced ideas for waterway improvements—the President, Vice-President and President Elect going so far as to favor a bonded indebtedness to obtain sufficient revenues in order that our rivers and harbors works may be more rapidly advanced to completion.

### LIBERAL WATER WAY POLICY.

I mention by name some of the eminent men present that it may be seen how at last the water way appropriations by the General Government are advocated by the greatest of our statesmen and by all parties. At one time a small river and harbor bill was very unpopular and denounced as sectional and individual graft and vetoed by a President, while now an opposer of an immense appropriation would be denounced, and if a public man, he would be driven from public life. Even ten years ago, no President would have favored a bond issue for river and harbor improvements, while now a president and president

elect do so and the country applauds.

I submitted an address to appear in the published proceedings of the Congress, in which there is shown a brief history of the Coquille navigation from the earliest times, with a review of the benefits accomplished to the entire valley in decreased freight rates, and increased tonnage capacity in steamers and schooners now engaged in your commerce, with the safe-guards obtained in light-house, life saving station, and buoys at the entrance and at Bandon, together with the great success of the jetty system. A reference is also made to the vast resources, as well as to the industries of the valley. The up to date river steamer accommodations, the progressive towns on the river, with their electric lights, water works telegraph and telephone conveniences are mentioned. The necessity for deeper water on the bar, and especially for dredging of the river channel from Myrtle Point to the sea is also shown.

### DREDGING NECESSITY

I wish further to report as to the matter of dredging, which seems to me perhaps of paramount importance to any other aid at present considered. I consulted with the War Department and then personally met the Chief of the Engineer Corps, and discussed the question of the dredging of the Coquille channel and as to jetty of Coquille. This conference brought encouraging assurances as well as interesting information as follows:—

1st That "The harbors and rivers which the engineers say require periodical work for their maintenance, are Tillamook Bay and bar, Coos Bay and harbor, Coquille River, Oregon and Gray Harbor, Willapa Bay and certain other works in Washington."

You will thus see that the Coquille is recognized as necessary for this work.

2nd That the dredge already constructed, and now at Coos Bay, and operated at the expense of the people there—is a pipe line suction dredge, with an 18 inch suction, and there was appropriated for it \$100,000.00.

3rd That, as no appropriation of government funds was made for its operation, a lump sum will be asked for to be expended at such points as Congress may recognize, and for such time as the Secretary of War may approve. This is the desire of the Engineer Corps. It is by them further estimated that the cost of operation and maintenance of plant will not exceed \$5,000.00 per month for the first three years and \$6,000.00 per month thereafter.

### MUST DESIGNATE

The next important service in your interest as to this matter, is to see that Congress shall designate the Coquille River in the coming River and Harbor Bill as one of the points for recognition, in line with the engineer's report. To this end I visited the River and Harbor Committee room of the House of Representatives, and pointed out the in-

justice done, in the failure to make an appropriation for maintenance of the dredge, leaving to public spirited citizens to contribute their own means to perform a public service, which should always be done at a public expense, and so intended by Congress to be done in this case. Chairman Burton indicated his consent, to amend and Representative Jones of the State of Washington, who is the only member of the River and Harbor Committee from the Pacific Northwest, kindly promised to consider our further suggestions, and I shall submit the data you furnished me. I also conferred with our Senators as to the Coquille necessity, that they may protect your interests when the house bill reaches the Senate.

### ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS

And now as to the entrance of the river, where deeper water on the bar is so essential for larger draught vessels, as your increased commerce demands. The Engineers make a recommendation for an additional appropriation for the entrance beyond the removal of shoals and rock there. They say that the old project is now completed. My opinion is that provision be made at this session, in the river and harbor bill for an examination and survey with a view to deeper water on the bar. A survey for a new project must first be authorized by congress before a recommendation and estimate will be made to congress. If this is not done you will wait a long time for further improvements at the entrance. I brought this matter up before the Engineers yesterday, and General McKenzie, who was present, suggested the phraseology to be used in the Bill for such an examination, which language I have prepared and will submit to our delegation. With increased depth of the bar, and a thorough dredging of the river channel, much deeper draught vessels can reach Coquille City from the sea, and river steamers of increased tonnage can reach Myrtle Point at all times of the year. A former appropriation by Congress produced four feet of depth at low water at Myrtle Point, and now it will be much easier to restore this channel when the Government dredger shall operate between that Point and Bandon.

The members of our delegation are anxious to accomplish every possible advantage for our water ways, and any aid I can render in your interests is at their service.

Very respectfully yours,

BINGER HERMANN.

### Girls Win, Boys Lose

In the double header basket ball games played at Oriental hall Tuesday night between the boys' and girls' teams of the Bandon and Coquille high schools, the Bandon girls won by the score of four to three, while the Coquille boys trimmed the Bandonians by the score of thirteen to five. It will be necessary for the boys to "ginger up" a little if they expect to keep pace with the girls; as this is the second time this same thing has happened. The games were well played and the crowd in attendance was well entertained.

### English Walnuts

I am agent for Brooks & Sons of Carlton, Ore. for their celebrated English Walnut trees. This firm is the only English Walnut importers in the state.

B. L. HURST.

According to reports of the Associated Press 75,000 people were killed in Southern Italy and Sicily, December 29th. This out does the San Francisco disaster, and is one of the greatest holocausts in all the annals of history.

## SAYS BANDON LEADS COMMERCIALLY

W. P. Evans Declares It is Most Prosperous Town in County

### EVERYWHERE EVIDENCE OF ACTIVITY

The following taken from the Coos Bay Harbor of North Bend, gives one an idea of what people who come to Bandon from other parts of the county think of our commercial activity. The Harbor says: "W. P. Evans, president of the Chamber of Commerce and manager of the Western Oregon Co., wholesale grocers, returned from a trip through Coos county in the interests of his company and on affairs connected with the Chamber of Commerce, last week.

"Mr. Evans in speaking of his trip said, 'I found things throughout the county in good shape. Business is picking up rapidly and there are evidences on every hand that the two-years-ago-times will soon be with us again.'

"The greatest little city in the county however is Bandon. They certainly have things on the jump down there and it was only with the greatest difficulty I could gain the ear of a business man for even a few moments when trying to grind my own ax—it was interruption after interruption from customers and local business men.

"In the evening the little city looked like a real metropolis. People thronged the streets and there was something doing every minute."

"Mr. Evans told the entire trade of the Western Oregon Co during his absence and returned with an abiding faith in the future of Coos County."

### Cody Camp Bill of Fare

The following bill of fare was served at the Cody Lumber Co.'s camp on Christmas day:

- Hot Punch
- Soup
- Fish
- Roast Turkey with Sage Dressing
- Mashed Potatoes, Butter Beans
- Currant Jelly
- Baked Chicken Pie
- Celery
- Spiced Ham, Lamb Tongue Steaks
- Pickles, Cold Slaw
- English Plum Pudding, Brand Sauce
- Home made Mince Pie
- Fruit, Ice, Oranges
- Raisins, Nuts, Apples
- Coffee and Tea

Only a few of the men remained in camp with friends and neighbors. They were all loud in their praise of the dinner Chef KanKute gave them they say the woods is a good place to spend Christmas.

### City Transfer

All kinds of draying and transferring. FOR SALE—mill wood from Cody's mill \$2.00 per load. Coal sold and delivered at lowest prices J. Jenkins, Prop.

### Notice to the Public

Bandon, Oregon, Dec. 14, 1908—All persons are hereby notified that I will not be responsible for any of the debts of Jno. P. Jensen.

MRS. LANNIE JENSEN.

FOR RENT—Hall over post office. Address or phone Th. Devereux, Parkersburg, Ore.