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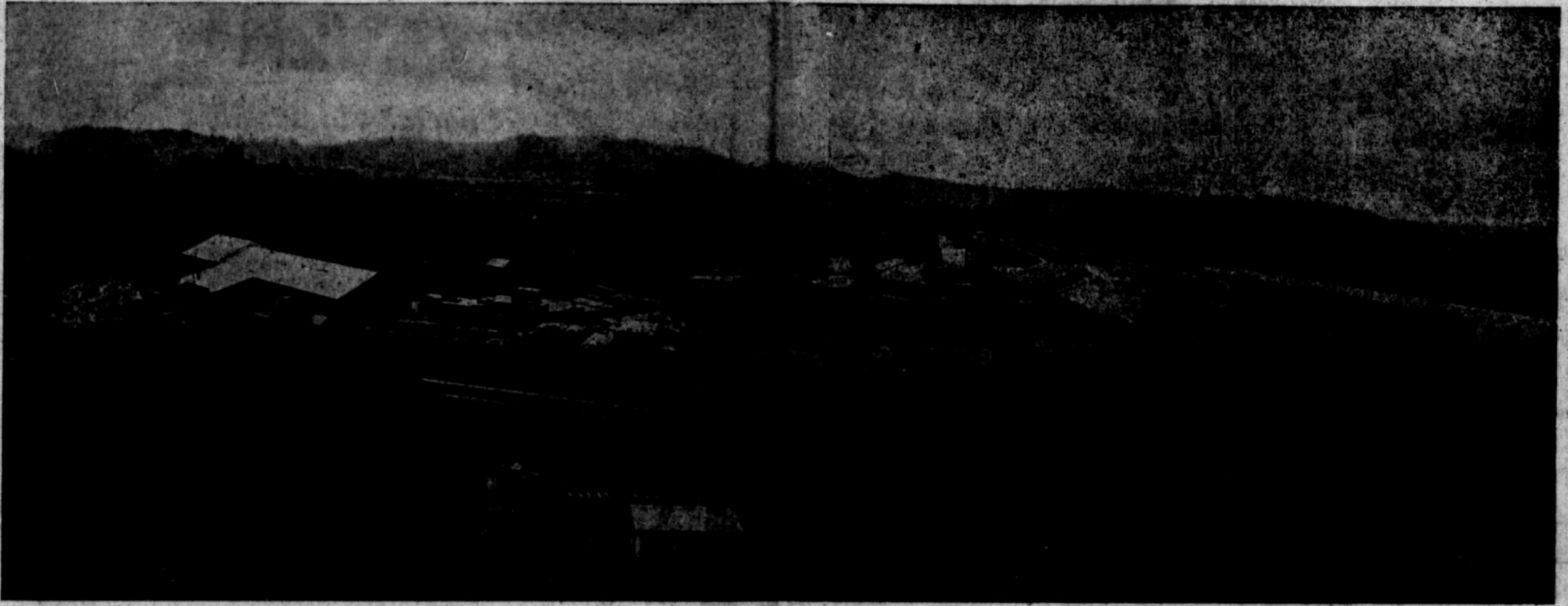
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Birdseye View of the Smith Wood-Products, Inc. Plant From Which Battery Separators Are Shipped All Over the U. S.



ASSEMBLY OPENS

Visitors Delighted With Reception -- Prominent Men in Church Here Next Week

Dr. J. A. McKee, of Walla Walla, dean and director of the Northwest Conference and Assembly of the M. E. Church, South, now in session in the Pioneer Church here, stated last evening that 150 were in attendance yesterday and that now arrivals were still coming from all parts of the Northwest. He estimates that between 175 and 200 will be the total attendance. The seventh session of the assembly is running way beyond the largest enrollment of previous sessions and the outlook is most encouraging for a very profitable and inspiring session.

One point on which Dr. McKee commented was the unanimity with which all the delegates praise the wonderful reception and attention they are accorded. Without an exception they praise in the highest terms the arrangements made for their comfort and pleasure, and the programs of classes for the various departments.

The assembly opened Wednesday evening when addresses of welcome were delivered by Rev. S. D. Walters and Mayor J. Arthur Berg. The latter commented most encouragingly on the good which is accomplished by the congregation of Christian men and women who are doing their part in the Lord's work, and on behalf of the city extended them a most cordial welcome. His address has been praised without stint as having just the right tenor, and as being the best he has yet delivered in his official capacity.

The response was made by Rev. H. S. Shangle, presiding elder. Last evening was "fun" night in the church parlors, the evening being devoted to games, stunts, music, etc., to getting the delegates well acquainted; as Dr. McKee describes it "a mixer." It was conducted by Rev. E. O. Harbin, of Nashville, Tenn.

This evening there will be a special musical program in the church, with an address by Dr. O. W. Moerner, of Nashville. His topic will be "Challenge of Youth to the Church," and the public is invited to hear it.

Telegrams of greeting were received yesterday from the church group assemblies now in session in Georgia, Florida, Kentucky and Los Angeles. Dr. C. C. Selemann, of Dallas, Texas, is expected to arrive tomorrow and he will conduct both morning and evening service Sunday, and will also speak several evenings next week. He is a man of profound thinking and one of the prominent men in the church.

Bishop Samuel R. Hay, of Houston, Texas, will arrive Monday for the Conference which will convene next Thursday.

The Conference Women's Missionary Society will also convene Thursday, with Mrs. E. J. Harper and Mrs. H. R. Steele in charge.

Tomorrow the members of the assembly will enjoy their annual picnic, this time on the beach at Bandon and

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GOV. PATTERSON TO BE HERE AT 2



Gov. I. L. Patterson, members of the State Highway Commission, and other officials, dignitaries and newspaper men from Salem and Portland will be in Coquille this afternoon at two o'clock for an hour's stay. They are on their way to the dedication ceremonies of the new bridge near Smith River, Calif., but are expected also to inspect the proposed bridge site for the crossing of the Rogue at Gold Beach.

The party was entertained at a luncheon in Marshfield this noon and it was hoped definite announcement concerning the Rogue bridge might be made at that time. Business men and citizens generally are requested to greet the visitors at the hotel this afternoon.

Among those expected are Gov. and Mrs. Patterson, Highway Commissioners H. E. Van Duzer, R. W. Sawyer and C. E. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Irvine, Mrs. G. S. Jackson, J. C. Ainsworth, Judge Belt and Judge Rossmann of the Supreme Court, E. E. Brodie, Claude Ingalls, Frank Jenkins, Walter Brockhagen of the Portland Telegram, John Kelly of the Oregonian, Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the State Motor association, A. L. Peck of Oregon State Agricultural college, James Stewart of the State Land Board, W. H. Lynch, district engineer, U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, J. M. Devers, Wm. E. Chandler, J. S. Sawyer and Roy A. Klein.

Flying New Travelair Plane

The new Travelair plane which Dr. G. E. Low and J. W. Richardson purchased ten days ago will probably see service at the Myrtle Point July 4th celebration. Mr. Richardson and Harold Adams flew it to Portland yesterday and the former expects to return alone with it this morning. He was expected in before noon. Their new ship sells for \$3300, and the owners expect to install in it the engine which was in the plane wrecked a few weeks ago near Coaledo.

Ira Johnson arrived here from Standard, Calif., yesterday and may decide to remain here for the summer, although the logging camp where he was employed will probably open again in two weeks.

COQUILLE ANDS. W. OREGON TO RECEIVE WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY

We have the greatest country in the world. We know this. We are all convinced and backing this idea to our full extent. Our knowing it is not enough. Let us let the outside world know of this country also and the same outside world will not be slow to settle and invest here. This newspaper always has and always will represent this country and its best interests and feels it a privilege and a duty to sponsor those things that make for progress. We feel that there has never been a time in our history that was more opportune to broadcast the advantages and set before the public at large the facts pertaining to Coquille and Coos County.

Well directed publicity has been sadly neglected. And there is no publicity more effective than well directed newspaper publicity.

To this end we are soon to issue an elaborately illustrated and descriptive edition covering every phase of the life of this country, its present day stage of development, future prospects, latent possibilities and undeveloped resources.

We need more farmers, we need more people, we need more industries. We have the country. Let us tell them about it.

Special writers and printers are being employed to cover the field fully and to the satisfaction of all. Yes we are going to a great deal of extra expense, we are employing the best publicity expert that is available and we are paying high for this production but we believe in the country and its people, we believe that the end justifies the means and that our people with one accord will lend every encouragement and co-operation.

Aside from lumbering, long one of our principal industries, the agricultural advantages will be dwelt on at length and with suitable illustrations. We want pictures and stories of farm and acreage production. We want pictures of our best dairy herds, purebred stock in particular. The ultimate future of this country lies in agriculture in general and in dairy farming in particular. The coming big edition will tell the world about it. It shall be the greatest and most effective publicity venture ever brought to a conclusion here and it will be The Coquille Sentinel's contribution to progress.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ENDORSES

Our Chamber of Commerce, of course, is organized and working with the primary object in view of "selling" this city and country. At the meeting of the board of directors held this week this matter and possible benefits from such an edition were discussed at length and being put to a vote received the unanimous endorsement of the body as a movement that would react with credit and profit to Coquille and this district.

Extra copies of this issue will be furnished without any cost whatever to the treasury of the Chamber of Commerce to the Chamber of Commerce and this will give our Chamber of Commerce excellent literature to mail to prospective settlers and investors.

Let every man, woman and child of this country who have the interest of the country at heart constitute themselves a committee of one to see that one or more copies are mailed to friends and relatives in other states. Help advertise your country. Co-operation means success. The interests of one are the interests of all. A greater Coquille, a greater Coos and Curry straight ahead.

The Sentinel will tell the world of our advantages by word and picture. Leave your name for a copy or more. They will be free to you if you will but send them out.

O. K. Beals Goes to Corvallis

O. K. Beals, instructor in Smith-Hughes work at the Coquille high school for the past two years has received an offer from the Corvallis high school for a similar position out there, at an increased salary, and

while he has not filed his resignation here it is quite probable that he intends accepting the offer. Definite information cannot be obtained from Mr. Beals as he and Mrs. Beals left for Corvallis last Saturday.

Calling cards 100 for \$1.50.

BOWER OF LOVE-LINESS AT SHOW

Since eight o'clock this morning a score or more of committee women and men have been receiving, classifying and arranging the largest and most beautiful display yet to be shown at a Coquille flower show, and according to Geo. W. Taylor, the varieties, perfection of blossom and general appearance compares very favorably with anything shown at the Portland rose shows.

More taste in preparing for exhibit, a higher class of plant and bloom, and more exquisite coloring are displayed this year as the result of previous years' experience.

Twelve long tables are loaded with every conceivable kind of flower, even a few displays of dahlias are well in advance of the usual season. And all of it in spite of a two weeks' rain which blasted the hopes of many a flower gardener for a beautiful display.

The largest assortment is that of Mr. Taylor's which does not enter into competition but adds wonderfully to the gorgeousness of the showing, with its sixteen varieties of sweet peas, and scores of other plants and blooms for which Mr. Taylor has become famous among flower lovers.

No less interesting are the three tables of blooms shown by the Sunshine Garden Club, the juvenile protégé of the Flower Lovers Club. What these youngsters have done is marvelous.

There are five tables entered in competition for the prizes offered by Coquille business men, and each entry shows the greater care and effort made this year to present the best.

One of the beautiful specimens is a pond lily, shown by Mrs. J. H. McCloskey, of Norway, but it is impossible to think of mentioning all of those worthy of it. The listing committee was still busy at 11 o'clock, classifying, tagging and recording the hundreds of entries and the names of those who brought them.

The auditorium and stage of the Community Building has been prettily decorated and those attending the programs this afternoon and evening will indeed step into a fairland of glorious beauty. It is doubtful that all who desire can find room to stand during the short programs. The hours set are 2:30 and 8:30 p. m.

J. E. Norton Married in Portland

The wedding of J. E. Norton in Portland Tuesday noon, to Mrs. Bertha Kalbus, came as no surprise to Mr. Norton's friends here who had known of the impending event for some weeks. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home, 60 North Nineteenth street, in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties, Jno. E. Ross, of this city, being one of them. Mr. Norton and his bride are spending a few days in Portland and on a short trip, but are expected home the middle of next week.

They will make their home in one of the new houses on North Heath

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SEPARATOR PLANT

Finished Battery Separators Now Being Shipped from Smith Factory Here

The above view of the Smith Wood-Products Inc., plant just above the old E. E. Johnson mill, gives a very good idea to those not familiar with the sight, of how much land the mill and plant cover, but it does not show the unoccupied ground nearer Coquille which may sometime be entirely covered with buildings.

The picture, or pictures, for these were two separate views on the card from which the cut was made, was taken from the top of the Union Oil Co. tank on the highway.

The first carload of chemically treated battery separators has been shipped by the Smith plant this week and it is the first time separators have been shipped from this action ready for the battery manufacturers' use.

With the installation of additional machinery in the plant a few weeks ago, the need for a night shift ceased and but one has been operating for the past month. It also made possible the policy, which will be in effect during the summer at least, of giving the employes Saturday afternoon off. That order went into effect last Saturday.

The fourth dry kiln, use of which is urgently needed, is expected to be in operation soon after the fourth of July.

Following is the article which appeared in the Oregonian on June 9, relatives to the company's activities here since the first of the year:

Slicing up Port Orford cedar into thin slabs as battery separators for automobile and radio storage batteries has become one of the great industries of the Coos Bay district during the past few years. Among the larger of the individual plants in this industry is the Smith Wood-Products Company, Inc., of Coquille, Or., which has been operating for several months with 200 men on its payroll. And not only are American battery manufacturers taking the Coquille product, but Europe, South America and Mexico are also good customers.

The Coquille plant embraces more than 16 acres of land and encompasses, beside a complete plant for the manufacture of battery separators, a sawmill cutting 40,000 feet of Port Orford cedar a shift. The main battery separator plant is 120x192 feet, to which an addition 50x260 feet has recently been added for the treatment department. Sawtooth type of construction was employed in the structure. The straight line production system is used in the plant. Stock is seasoned in three dry kilns, while a fourth kiln is now under construction.

Between the dry kilns and the factory there is covered storage approximately 60x100 feet and there is green storage between the sawmill and the factory for 20 carloads of lumber. Spruce and Douglas fir lumber for shipment east also will be kiln dried

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