The Coquille Valley Sentinel

THE PAPER THAT'S LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

Oregon Historical Society X
Auditorium

VOL. XXVIII. NO. 2. COQUILLE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON, FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1932. $2.00 THE YEAR

ULETT HEADS C. C.

Twenty Members Chosen for Board of Directors This Year

Geo. A. Ulett, manager of the Smith Wood-Products company, was unanimously chosen Wednesday evening, as president of the Coquille Chamber of Commerce for the coming year, and in a few words of appreciation he accepted the office.

To strengthen the support given the president, the charter and by-laws of the chamber were amended to provide 17 directors, who with the three officers will comprise the board of directors. Heretofore the board has consisted of ten. Under the new plan, every type of business in the city has representation on the board and it is felt that the chamber will thus be kept in closer touch with all its members.

Another important changes in the Chamber of Commerce program was the setting of the second Wednesday in November as the date for holding the annual meeting and election of officers.

Both these actions were recommended by the retiring president, Wm. A. Zosel.

Robert L. Stewart, as vice president, and W. S. Sickels, as treasurer, were unanimoustly re-elected.

The seventeen directors elected are Wm. A. Zosel, C. E. Niles, Geo. R. Dickinson, E. D. Webb, J. R. Bunch, R. T. Slater, J. P. Beyers, F. W. Martin, A. B. McLeod, J. E. Norton, J. A. Lamb, O. C. Sanford, J. L. Stevens, J. L. Smith, C. W. Gano, Lyman Carrier and H. A. Young. Six officers and directors will constitute a quorum.

One of the points brought out in Mr. Zosel's report on the year's activities was that it had been his steadfast policy throughout the year not to encourage anyone to come here who was seeking a job. And letters from job-hunters were numerous.

The annual report of Treasurer Sickels, from Dec. 1, 1930, to Dec. 31, 1931, showed cash on hand and receipts for the 13 months to have been $1,351.12. Expenses were $1,245.68, leaving a balance on hand of $105.54.

The business of the session was interspersed with music by the ladies' sextette and was a most pleasant feature of the session. Accompanied by Mrs. M. O. Hawkins, the vocalists, Mrs. E. A. Woodyard, Mrs. Lyman Carrier, Mrs. P. W. Walker, Mrs. Geo. R. Johnson, Mrs. Jno. L. Aasen and Mrs. Birdie Skeels, proved that the old spirit and artistry of the Jenny Lind Sextette still carries on, even thought they no longer are known by that name. They were given a vote of thanks for their interest and en-

(Continued on last page)

Chauncey Carpenter Died Wed.

Chauncey Carpenter, of Pistol River, died at the hospital in Gold Beach, Wednesday morning, following an operation for appendicitis Tuesday. The funeral was held yesterday in Gold Beach and interment was at Bandon.

Mr. Carpenter had lived in the Coquille valley from 1907 until 1922, when he moved to Pistol River, and had a couple of narrow escapes from drowning. One of them was while going to the county fair in 1917. The boat in which the family was going up the river capsized and his wife and two young sisters were drowned. He saved his infant child by swimming to shore with her but could not rescue the others.

A little later he was on a fishing smack which foundered off the bar at Bandon and saved himself by swimming in a considerable distance to the beach. His widow is a sister of Mrs. J. F. Ayres, of this city.

Mr. Carpenter is also survived by five children, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Carpenter, and two brothers, Asa and Ray, all of whom lived on Pistol river.

Discuss Armaments Tonight

The second of the forum meetings sponsored by the B. P. W. club to discuss world peace and disarmament, the League of Nations and the Kellogg pact will be held in the city hall this (Friday) evening, at 8 p. m., and will be conducted by C. C. Farr. Everyone interested in the subject, and who is not, is invited to attend and participate.

A community service will be held in the gymnasium of the union high school at Riverton Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. Captain G. L. Hall, colporter-evangelist of McMinnville, Oregon, will be the principal speaker.

To Deliver 25 Million Feet

Roy Garrett, of Myrtle Point, was a Coquille visitor Monday, and gave out some information which is good news to Coos county, and may benefit this immediate section if the timber is to be sawed at the Evans cut-up plant at Cedar Point.

Operating a fleet of 50 trucks the logging firm of Laird & Garrett expect to bring 25 million feet of cedar out of the upper Rock creek country, where they were getting ready to log last year, and the logs are to be dumped into the river at Myrtle Point. It will require approximately 150 men for camp and transportation. It is expected to start logging at once and hauling will probably begin in May.

Powers Camp to Open Monday

The Coos Bay Lumber Co. camp above Powers will start up next Monday, providing the snow is off the mountains, but no statement has been made as to the length of time it will operate.

ESTIMATES THE LOSS AT $622

G. E. Trott reported to Lewis English, local police officer, Tuesday morning that $622.75 worth of syrups, malts, empty barrels, flasks and bottle, grape juice, ginger ale, drinking straws and bottle caps, had been stolen from the Coos Bay Bottling Works, on Front street here, some time the night before.

A hole had been cut in the wire covering the back end of the shed at the rear of his building and Mr. Trott stated the door to this shed was standing partly open when he discovered his loss.

The sheriff's office was notified and during the day the officers found some of the malt under a pile of lumber just west of the highway, and almost directly across the railroad track from the Coquille Lumber Co. mill office. Near beer was found under blackberry vines in the same vicinity, while several empty bottles were found on the lumber pile.

When Marshal Howell was informed of the robbery, Tuesday evening, he stated that he had made trips along the rear of the buildings, between Front street and the railroad, every half hour all night, and that he always flashed his light on the lock of the back door at the bottling works. When he made his last trip at 5:40 a. m. the lock had not been tampered with, and at 3:20 he was accompanied by a local man who will bear the marshal out that the lock had not been molested.

Four dozen empty soft drink bottles, which Mr. Trott is positive were not there the night before, had been set up on cases where the robbers had evidently enjoyed a few drinks between acts while carrying out the several hundred pounds of stuff, enough to fill a truck.

Before giving up the case the officers notified Mr. Trott where the cases of bottled goods were hidden, and his men took them back to the plant.

Enjoyed Coos Climate

Chester L. Ward, who is to be superintendent of schools here next year, was a Coquille visitor last Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Ward. They arrived Friday night and left for Hubbard Sunday. He did not care to say anything for publication at this time, but did comemnt on the balmy, spring-like weather they encountered as soon as they crossed Camas mountain, it being quite different from the cold and snow of the Willamette valley when they left. He did say, too, that the Sentinel had been misinformed as to his stay in Hubbadr, which is about 20 miles north of Salem. This was his first year as superintendent there, instead of his third.

15 Enter High School

Fifteen students of the Coquille Junior High received their eighth grade diplomas last Friday, following the completion of final examinations. The following class were graduated, according to Wade H. Arstill, Junior High principal: Tom Schaer, Thelma Dennis, Fred Coleman, Harold Esser, Harry Gisholt, Tom Henderson, Monroe Swindall, Lawrence Vincent, Lee White, Patricia Bennett, Margaret Daniels, Frances Hatcher, Vivian McCue, Bernita Morris and Jean Perrott.

All members of the graduating class, with but three exceptions have entered the high school for the second term. Donald Burch, a former Coquille High student, has re-registered for work, signing up as a Smith-Hughes major.

GAME COMMISSIONERS HERE

Recommendations Made by Local Sportsmen's Organizations and Ten-Year Wild Life Program Told by Commissioners Vining, Corrigan and Silven

The Oregon State Game Commission party comprising a dozen of the commissioners and personnel of the department, were at the sportsmen's meeting in the court house last evening where the commission's ten-year program was explained, and recommendations made by local organizations.

Half of the party did not arrive here until ten o'clock last night. They had come from Medford by way of Crescent City and were delayed somewhat near Gold Beach. Their car ran out of gas, and the occupants got out to push it toward a dip in the road, from which point it could coast down to a service station. There was a little gas in the tank and on a different level the engine started and the members of the party hopped on to the running board, with Art Fish driving. Capt. Chas. McClees did not relish his position and jumped, the car striking him and throwing him to the hard roadway where his palms were badly lacerated by the gravel. It was necessary to stop in Gold Beach and have his hands dressed.

Bert Gould, chairman of the Coos County Game Protective Association, opened the meeting, stated its purpose and introduced I. E. Vining, member of the commission, from Ashland. Other commissioners present were M. F. Corrigan, of McMinnville, and Carl D. Silven, of Baker. The chairman of the commission, Marshal Dana, was called to Washington, D. C., a few days ago, and was not present last evening.

The session lasted until after midnight, which Mr. Vining says has been the case in every city where they have held meetings.

Mr. Vining presented the commission's ten-year program from the eceonmic point of view and addressed his remarks to the business men who will profit most from the influx of hunters and fishermen from the outside. As a means of increasing the game department funds, which are secured only from the sale of fishing and hunting licenses, he declared the average citizen, whether sportsman or not, owed it as a duty to himself to help in the propagation of wild life in Oregon, by having a license.

We cannot quote Mr. Vining's exact words, but we can say that it is extremely seldom that a speaker with the command of words, the ability to paint word pictures, the polished power of expression, visits Coquille who can compare in any way with Mr. Vining. Some years ago he spoke at a public meeting here and those who heard him then knew they were in for a treat last evening. Nor were they disappointed. It was not a flowery exposition, but a careful, well-considered presentation of the commission's plans and what their fulfilment means to the people of Oregon.

Californians say that the land in their state is to a great extent privately owned and that Oregon with its rough terrain and ideal conditions for wild life has an opportunity to become the nation's playground that no other state can possibly approach.

With 66,000,000 acres of land in Oregon, and 40 million of them nontillable, there is room for thousands upon thousands of out-of-the-state sportsmen in the forests and upon the streams of Oregon each year—if the wild life is propagated.

The first step taken by the commission in starting its ten-year program was to name Art Fish, former deupty game warden here, to head the research department and give the commission a knowledge of our wild life resources and information on the physical aspects of the birds' and animals' natural habitat.

There is also the engineering department which is also active, the publicity, and the propagation of fish and birds departments.

One plea for co-operation made by Mr. Vining was in regard to the game wardens and the absolute necessity, in the large district they are supposed to cover, for information as to game violations. "Game wardens without co-operation are just as helpless as the wild life in the forests."

Commisioner Corrigan, of McMinnville, who has charge of the business end of affairs, stated that the commission's receipts were $430,000 in 1930, $60,0000 less in 1931, and that $395,000 had been budgeted for this year. He stated that the cost of bringing a trout to the age when it can be released is from two-tenths of a cent to 2 cents each, not 18 cents as was reported in press reports.

Mr. Corrigan also asked that judgment on the combining of the game enforcement department with the state police be reserved until a year's results could give a better demonstration of its utility.

H. L. Kelley, game supervisor, who is now devoting his time to developing Oregon resources said that if California possessed Oregon's attractions the whole wold would know of them. But Oregon has not advertised, and our advantages are known to but few.

Gene Simpson, game bird farm superintendt, said that part of the commission's program is to turn pheasants over to sportsmen's clubs before the season opens, to be retained in holding pens and released after its close. The farms are filled to capacity at all times and it is impossible to keep up the work of propagation if they are held until after the season's close.

Ernest (Corn-cob) Crockett, head of the education department said that the wild life of Oregon's coast country will be its most lucrative source of revenue with the completion of the Coast highway and that part of his job was educating the people to know how tremendously valuable this outdoor life is to this and other sections. His department is preparing a textbook to be included in the school curriculum of the state so that the coming generation may know more about our Oregon than does the present.

Having briefly sketched what the commission is attempting to do, the meeting was then turned over to the sportsmen for suggestions as to the recommendations they desired to make to the commission.

Following are the resolutions of the County Game Protective Association, read by L. A. Liljeqvist, and amplified with explanations of why the recommendations are made:

The following are the resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Coos County Game Protective Association, the members of the Isaac Walton League of Coos County, and other interested sportsmen, held January 15, 1932, at Marshfield, Oregon:

It was resolved that the Game Commisison enlarge the Bandon Hatchery and provide more pond room for the hatching and caring for fry.

That the Game Commission be requested to establish a Cutthroat egg-taking station in Coos county.

That the State Game Commission be requested to clear the entrance to Ten Mile Creek and to keep open the waters of said creek from the mouth thereof to the waters of Ten Mile Lake, in Coos county.

That the State Game Commission be requested to undertake the passage of a law that all trout caught, irrespective of size, be kept and included in the bag limit, and that the bag limit of thirty fish remain the same.

That the State Game Commission be requested to liberate fish in the most suitable places after proper investigation thereof.

That the State Game Commission be requested to secure suitable legislations and regulations limiting the number of striped bass that may be taken, to three bass per day.

That the Coos County Game Protective Association and the sportsmen of Coos county recommend to the State Game Commission and attempt to secure the passage of laws making the open deer season west of the Cascades from August 15th to October 1st, inclusive, of each year, this being to apply to district No. 1.

That the State Game Commission attempt to secure the elimination of Kingfishers, Blue Herons and Fish Ducks from the list of protected birds.

That the State Game Commission be required to cause its wardens to investigate and liberate small fry impounded in holes in the upper stretches of streams in Coos county.

That the State Game Commission be requested to investigate the conditions at the mouth of Brushes Creek in Curry county so as to permit fish to come into said creek during the summer months.

That the State Game Commission be requested to take suitable measures to permit fish to pass and re-pass

(Continued on eighth page)

Bogus $5 Bill Appears

Officer English was this morning exhibiting to local merchants and business men a bogus $5 bill which was passed here and warning them to be on the lookout for more of them. The bill is legal tender for one dollar, and anything more than a cursory glance at its face reveals that it is a one dollar piece of paper on which the numerals and letters have been changed to make it look like a five. But the work is raw, the "5" in each of the upper corners of the bill having been pasted on over the 1.

Deputy Sheriff Pete Culver says that he knows of a couple more which were passed, one of them being a ten raised to a twenty.

Probably few of us see a five or a ten these days, but when we do it would be well to note its face for alterations.

About twenty local sportsmen enjoyed a sea food dinner at the hotel here last evening, with members of the game commission and employes as guests.

RALPH SMITH A VISITOR HERE

Geo. A. Ulett and Ralph L. Smith arrived here Tuesday evening, having come by car from Kansas City, which they left on Wednesday of last week. They came the southern route, through Texas, New Mexico and Arizona and spent Sunday in San Diego.

Mr. Ulett says he did not find conditions improved to any noticeable extent from what they were when he was east a year ago, but he did note the absence of bread lines which were so much in evidence in January last year. He thought possibly it was because the charities are better organized now.

The continued operation of the Smith Wood-Products plant here is one of the things in which Coquille is vitally interested and it will be cheering news to learn that orders already booked for the battery separator plant will keep them running for several months and it is not contemplated that the plant will have to shut down this year. With their eastern connections and line-up the company is practically certain to be in steady operation all year.

The saw mill at the plant is also running daily, only having been closed down for two days, due to high water, and this branch of the business gives promise of continuous operation.

Coquille is, indeed, fortunate in having a plant like the Smith mill, employing around 100 people, and providing by far the largest pay roll in town, which was kept going throughout 1931 and with so fine prospects for the same record in 1932.

Dentists Here Last Evening

The monthly dinner session of the Coos County Dental Association, of which Dr. C. A. Rietman is president and Dr. Jas. R. Bunch, secretary, was held at the Coquille Hotel last evening, with sixteen in attendance.

The business of the session dealt only with matters pertaining to the craft and was not of a nature in which the public is interested.

Those present were: Dr. K. K. Adams, of Reedsport; Doctors C. L. Brown, C. T. Chapin, C. W. Endicott, T. F. Montgomery, E. A. Smith, H. D. Wilson, of Marshfield; Drs. E. A. Johnsen, L. C. Garner and H. E. Burmeister, of North Bend; Dr. R. E. Donahey, of Bandon; Dr. L. L. Sumerlin, of Myrtle Point; Dr. Ralph Milne, of Powers. County Health Officer W. E. Gregson, of Coquille, was also present, besides the president and secretary from here.

Phennegan Bound Over

When taken before Justice Stanley last Saturday afternoon, charged with taking Dr. Richmond's car without permisison, Jack Phennegar was bound over to the grand jury and his bail set at $1,000 by the judge.

Ross Elwood, at the same time, entered a plea of guilty to driving while intoxicated when the Carmicheal truck struck an electric power pole a week ago Tuesday evening. He was sentenced to serve 30 days in jail, which he is serving, and fined $100. Payment of the fine was suspended.

Two Mills Resume Operations

With the Moore mill at Bandon, and the Coos Bay Lumber Co. resuming mill and logging operations yesterday, the prospects for a brightening of the financial sky in Coos county are better. Just how many men will resume employment is not known, but the Coos Bay notice was that the same men who were laid off some weeks ago will be put back to work.

COUNCIL SESSION

Discusses Rural Fire Department Proposal---Grants Several Permits

Mayor Berg announced at the city council session Monday evening that Mrs. Lucille Walker had been named as member of the Library Board to succeed Mrs. C. V. Smith, who resides outside the city.

The report of O. C. Sanford, treasurer of the Library Board, for the six months from July 1 to Jan. 1, showed receipts of $30 donated by the Legion Auxiliary, $49.70 by the Woamn's Club, and book fines and monthly payments by the city, altogether totalling $1,310.56. Expenses for the period were $1,034.30, leaving a balance on hand of $276.26.

It was ordered that the property owners on Holly street, between Eleventh and Bush, in the north part of town, be instructed to repair broken wooden sidewalks at once. The city engineer reported a dozen holes in the walks in two blocks.

Mr. Stacer reported that eleven posts with red light danger signals would be installed at dead street ends, or at gulch danger points, by the end of the week.

The Southwestern Motor Co. petition was granted, authorizing the installation of a gas pump inside the rear door of the company's garage. The gas tank will be buried in the parking outside the sidewalk.

A rooming house license was granted Mrs. C. A. Machon for the Tourist Hotel and an eating house license to Mrs. Grace Donaldson for the restaurant in the Jones building. Kirk Shelley is surety on her bond.

Pool and card room licenses were granted Davis & Reynolds, with J. E. Norton and Drue Cunningham as sureties on their bond, and to W. H. Fortier, with Keith Leslie and C. A. Machon as sureties.

A letter from the State Accident Commission, notifying the city that compensation would not be paid to firemen who might be injured at fires outside the city, was read. This brought up the question what the city's liability would be for the burning of a building in Coquille, while the department happened to be fighting a fire outside the city.

City Attorney Corby gave as his opinion that the city would be no more liable than it would if two fires broke out in different parts of town at the same time.

It was further pointed out that only the chemical truck was taken outside the city, the hose truck remaining in the city hall, and that all the firemen did not go to outside fires, thus insuring protection in town at all times.

The city recorder was asked to write for a schedule of accident commission rates which would cover the firemen who might be injured while on duty outside the city.

Fire Chief Gardner informed the council that the organization of a rural fire department had not been given up, that the farmers and ranchers were nearly 100 per cent for it, and that he expected to carry on the organization plans in the near future.

County Chamber of Commerce

Elmer E. Russell, of Myrtle Point, was chosen as president of the Coos County Chamber of Commerce at the monthly session held in Marshfield Monday evening. Other officers chosen were G. C. Huggins, of Marshfield, vice president; Geo. R. Dickinson, secretary; and J. E. Norton, treasurer; both of Coquille.

The financial statement of the chamber showed $610.84 on hand, with $144 dues unpaid by co-operating chambers, and but $200 owing. On account of this showing it was decided not to levy any assessments on the five city chambers of commerce in the county this year, unless an unforeseen need arose.

Geo. Jenkins was the only Coquille representative in attendance, the total being 15.

Comedy Has Been Postponed

The Monotony Killers' comedy, "The Red Headed Step Child," sponsored by the Past Grands club of the Odd Fellows lodge, has been postponed because of the illness the past week of Mrs. Tracy Leach, who has one of the leading parts. It is not known yet when the play will be given, but probably during the middle of February.

Mrs. Leach was quite ill last Friday and unable to be out of bed for several days, but is recovering now and able to be up.