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**Tusk Eight Feet, Six Inches,
Long Found on the
North Fork**

The finding of teeth and tusks of the mammoth creatures which roamed the earth thousands, and perhaps millions, of years ago is no novelty in the United States, but the discovery of a mastodon tusk in Coos county brings the matter much nearer home.

One of these tusks, eight feet and six inches long, and seven inches in diameter at the large end, was partially uncovered on the A. R. Tyrrell place, a quarter of a mile above Cooper bridge, on the Myrtle Point-Sitkum road by the flood waters of three weeks ago.

Mr. Tyrrell's son discovered the butt end of the tusk protruding from the rock on the river bank and thought it was quartz but his father declared it to be bone.

They at once began to excavate for it and when it was removed from its bed where it had rested for aeons of time, found it to be pure ivory.

In removing the tusk it became broken in four parts, but they were able to join it together. The tusk tapers to a small point at the outer end and is almost a perfect semi-circle.

W. J. Ferbrache and Howard Smith, who went up to see it yesterday, say the tusk was iron-stained and brownish on the outside but inside it is pure white. They lifted one piece which weighed about 35 pounds and estimate the weight of the entire tusk at 100 pounds.

The mastodon was a mammal, closely resembling the elephant, but much larger, and its remains were discovered, indicate that it lived in the period of the Miocene to late Quaternary time.

The tusk shows pitted and rough spots indicating that it had been powerfully rubbed on hard substance by the animal which wore it.

Mr. Tyrrell has written to Washington, D. C., to learn what he can about its worth and where he can dispose of this pre-historic relic.

To Meet Every Other Month

At the county chamber of commerce meeting, held in Marshfield Monday evening, President H. G. Kern brought up the need for five or ten thousand copies of the recreational folder for Coos county, which was first printed a couple of years ago. The chamber has a request now for 500 of these folders which will nearly exhaust the supply on hand. Delegates were requested to put the matter up to their respective organizations to see if the funds could be secured for reprinting the folder which is one of the best ever gotten out in the county.

It was voted to assess the six chambers of commerce in the county \$10 each to provide a fund for incidental expenses, and it was also voted to meet but once in two months, on the third Monday of the month, which means a session in each of the towns once a year.

The next meeting will be in Bandon on March 20. Ed Miller, manager of the Coast Highway Association made an interesting talk, in which he outlined the plans he had worked out for financing the Association for this year. The work of the Coast Highway Association has been made the major project of nearly all local chambers of commerce along the highway for this year.

Opens a New Confectionery

W. E. Cleghorn yesterday morning opened a pop-corn stand in the room of the Drane building on Second street, formerly occupied by Miss Pomeroy's Beauty Shop. Besides popcorn, Mr. Cleghorn is handling candy, cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

It is a good deal like getting home, Mr. Cleghorn says to be again doing business in the Drane building, for the room where he has his confectionery is part of the old store where P. E. Drane conducted a grocery for ten years. Mr. Cleghorn was associated with him from 1907 to 1917.

Hotel Men Coming Tomorrow

Lafe Compton expects to have 50 to 60 hotel managers and their families in attendance at the banquet he is serving at the hotel tomorrow evening. As has been stated the purpose in inviting all the hotel people along the Coast Highway, from Crescent City to Astoria, is that they may become better acquainted and may enter into greater co-operation in publicizing the Coast Highway and its varied attractions.

May See "Old Ironsides" at Bay

A movement was started at the joint meeting of the Marshfield and North Bend Legion posts Monday evening, which is being approved by all civic and service organizations, to have the frigate "Constitution"—Old Ironsides—make a port entry at Coos Bay when it is taken from San Francisco to Portland in May. Both the local chamber of commerce and the Lions club this week have authorized wires to Senator Steiwer to solicit his efforts in securing an order for this historic vessel to spend a day in Coos Bay.

It Must Be Spring

Is spring nearly here? The cold weather this week, when the thermometer was down to 26 degrees Monday morning and 21 Tuesday, would hardly lead to that conclusion. And yet the birds cannot be fooled. Tuesday morning J. J. Stanley says he saw a flock of blue birds in his yard, and if those feathered friends are beginning to appear it is pretty certain that the winter is over.

COMMUNIST MARCHERS

The Coquille Lions will not meet for their regular luncheon next Thursday, but will go to Bandon that evening for a joint session with the den there at Jerry's, at 7 p. m. Lions are requested to meet at the hotel here at 6:15.

Roger Morse, of the dairy department of the Extension Service at O. S. C., was a guest at the luncheon yesterday noon.

A letter of appreciation from the Coquille Boy Scouts was read, in which the Lions Club was thanked for its interest in Scouting and for taking over the Scout sponsorship for this year.

A Lions membership key, presented to each Lion who secures two new members, was awarded to Wade Arstall by President Dave Rackleff.

Ray Jeub, whose day it was to furnish the noon's entertainment, told of what Gen. White, of the National Guard, had told the Legion men in conference at Salem last week end. Gen. White said that the men who marched to Salem a couple of weeks ago, under the designation of "Hunger Marchers," were almost to a man, communists, and when they came to interview him he told them that if they attempted to overturn this government and set up a Soviet form of government in the United States that they would be the first to be stood up against a wall and shot.

This brought Mr. Morse to his feet with the statement that the communists in this country were organizing boys under the head of "Young Pioneers" and teaching them the communist theories.

Dr. J. W. Wheeler and Wade Arstall both spoke on the good which the Boy Scout movement does in combatting the Young Pioneers movement and the need to support in every way this unimperialistic organization.

Volley Ball for Business Men

This is a volley ball season and Brick Leslie started out yesterday to arouse enthusiasm for a business men's league whose members will play one game a week, on Tuesday evening, in the Community Building. The response was instantaneous and it is altogether probable that a league of four teams will be organized, seven or eight men to a team, who will get a lot of exercise, at least one evening a week.

Volley ball is not a violent game like basket ball, but it does require a lot of exercise which most business men do not get.

Any one interested should confer with R. L. Stewart at the power company office and give his name as a prospect.

To Handle Oldsmobiles

As many other Chevrolet dealers in the United States are now doing, Paul McElwaine has decided to handle Oldsmobile Sixes and Eights in addition to the full Chevrolet line of cars and trucks. The Oldsmobile comes in the \$1000 and \$1200 classes.

Announcement will be made when these new General Motor products reach Coquille and are placed on the market here.

Court of Honor Next Wednesday

Twenty-five or thirty Coquille Boy Scouts are expected to be present for the Court of Honor to be held in the city hall next Wednesday evening at 7:30. Everyone is welcome to attend and the Lions Club members are planning to attend.

PICKERS WANTED

**To Gather Two Carloads a Week
of Fern and Huckle-
berry Here**

Elsewhere in this issue appears an advertisement, which also, appeared in a Marshfield paper yesterday, calling for 100 men and women to gather ferns and huckleberry sprays.

Arrangements for this work were made by "Penny" Studvant, of the Relief Association, yesterday. He had talked with F. J. Skewis, representing Callison's, of Port Orchard, Washington, the fore part of the week, and here is the outline as given to "Penny":

Callison's want two carloads of the ferns a week. They have found the ferns which grow in such profusion here the best they can get for decorative purposes. They put them in refrigerated cars for shipment east and claim to have an almost unlimited market.

They will pay 2½ cents for 50 ferns or huckleberry sprays. The ferns must be 20 inches long and not crushed.

Mr. Skewis will be at the Relief Association headquarters in the Sentinel building at ten o'clock Monday morning to give instructions how to gather the plants. He told "Penny" that elsewhere pickers made a dollar or more a day and the adept ones soon were able to earn from \$2.50 to \$2.75 a day.

If the program works out according to the plans there will be work for everyone who is willing to get out into the woods and work. For how long a time his company will require two carloads a week Mr. Skewis did not say, but from the agreement made it looks like a very fine proposition for unemployment relief.

To Repeal City's Dry Law

Lack of a quorum for the first time in the past four years prevented the regular session of the city council Monday evening. Councilmen Henry Belloni and C. W. Gano were both ill, and Councilman Ray Jeub was out of town.

An ordinance prepared by the city attorney was ready for introduction that evening. It was for the repeal of the city's dry law to make it conform to the state laws, and authorize the sale of liquor, upon a physician's prescription, by a duly licensed drug store.

Possession of liquor, for strictly personal use, will not be a crime under the new ordinance, when adopted, but the law will provide a penalty of from \$10 to \$250 for the sale of liquor not authorized by the state and city laws. Unless a need arises there will not be a session of the council until Feb. 6.

A New J. J. Stanley

J. J. Stanley was wearing a broad smile yesterday morning and stepping high. The reason was a wire from his son, John, in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., that the local barrister now has a grandson, who has been named "John Jervis." There are two grand-daughter descendants in the family but this is the first boy of the third generation. John Stanley left here about ten years ago and has been with the Dutton Lumber Co. at Poughkeepsie for the past seven or eight years. His wife was a Poughkeepsie girl. The baby has the same initials as his grandfather, but the latter's name is John Jervis Stanley.

Farmers' Night School

The first Farmer's Night School, conducted by W. M. Canning, of the Smith-Hughes department, was held in the high school building Tuesday evening, with a good attendance. The next session will be held Tuesday, Jan. 24, at 7:30 p. m.

Judge Brand's Mother Dies

Mrs. Juliet H. Brand, of Oberlin, Ohio, mother of Judge J. T. Brand, of Marshfield, passed away last Saturday at her home at the age of 82 years. She was the widow of Dr. Jas. T. Brand, for 32 years a trustee of Oberlin college and pastor of the college church.

Working on Credit Association

Nothing new developed at the meeting of business men in the city hall Wednesday evening in the plan to organize a Credit Association. Another meeting will be held there next Tuesday evening when it is hoped a larger attendance will be present.

Calling cards 100 for \$1.50.

CHARLES W. HILL

**Passed Away at Mercy Hospital
Tuesday, Following an
Operation**

Funeral services for Chas. W. Hill, who passed away at 3:20 Tuesday afternoon in Mercy hospital in North Bend, will be conducted by Turner B. MacDonald in the Christian church here Sunday at 2 p. m. Interment will be in the Myrtle Point cemetery.

Mr. Hill underwent an operation Monday in the hopes that it might be beneficial but the surgeon immediately saw that an operation could not help and that Mr. Hill could not have survived but a few days had it not been performed.

Mr. Hill was born Sept. 11, 1874, near Council Grove, Kansas, and had lived in Coquille for the past 18 years, although he had lived here previously and elsewhere in the county for a much longer time.

He was married to Amelia Brownson, at Bridge, Feb. 7, 1909. Besides his widow he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mathilda Hill; a son, Ben; and two daughters, Barbara and Mabel, and a sister, Mrs. Zoe Hooton.

Barbara and Ben are expected home tomorrow from southern California, Barbara from Long Beach, and Ben from San Pedro, where he is stationed on the U. S. naval vessel, Pennsylvania. Mabel is a student in Coquille high school.

Mr. Hill was a member of the Christian church here and was a man who lived according to the teachings of the bible. His reputation was unsullied; his code of conduct was that of a man following in the footsteps of his Master. He was a good man and that is the highest tribute which can be paid.

Government Loans on Cattle

J. S. Barton, of this city, has been named as inspector and appraiser for the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation, a federal organization which is financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The Agricultural Corporation was established to assist farmers and agriculturists of all kinds, to secure loans on their cattle and crops, and Mr. Barton says he has already had fifty applications for loans which must be approved by the branch at Portland of the regional headquarters located at Spokane. Interest at the present time is 6½ per cent, and the loans are payable a portion each month for a year.

The purpose of the law was primarily to aid farmers and stockmen who had no other source for securing loans.

Told to Quit Fighting

The people of Oregon will generally applaud the action of the state senate which yesterday told Gov. Meier and State Treasurer Holman to cut out the rough stuff and get together in working out the problems now confronting the state—economy adjustments, tax question settlements and unemployment relief. The legislature refused to act as referee in the "reign of terror" in which the Board of Control has been embroiled.

Repairing Court House Roof

Wm. Anderson, of North Bend, former deputy sheriff, is now at work repairing the roof of the frame court house structure, which has been leaking quite badly. He is being assisted by Clyde Gage. The roof of the concrete structure, or Hall of Records, has also developed leaks which threatened the records in the tax collection department.

K. A. DeMaris a Visitor

K. A. DeMaris, travelling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, was a Coquille visitor yesterday. Always on the look-out for business for his line, one of Mr. DeMaris' first questions was whether anyone in this vicinity intends to visit the Chicago World's Fair this summer. He or Frank Pook, local S. P. agent, would like to talk with anyone who plans on a trip to Chicago, or elsewhere.

Auto License Money Received

County Treasurer Chas. Stauff this week received from the state as Coos county's one-third share of the automobile license fees the sum of \$2,997.63. The county's quarter of the motor transportation fund which he also received was \$383.29.

The MacDowell Music Club will meet at the home of Mrs. C. A. Rietman next Tuesday, January 24, at 2:00 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to all music lovers.

Miss Pyle Wed Monday

Miss Hildah Pyle, who has been cashier at the Mt. States Power Co. office here for the past two or three years, resigned her position last week, but insisted to the power company crew that it did not mean anything, that she was not going to be married.

However, she remained in Coquille until Monday noon when John Lamberty, of Albany, arrived, and they then proceeded to the office of Justice J. J. Stanley who pronounced them man and wife. Misses Saima and Jennie Lindros were witnesses.

Mrs. Lamberty made many friends while here, by her winsome disposition, courteousness in the office and many agreeable characteristics and they all wish her much happiness and prosperity.

The groom is a grocery merchant in Albany, which was also his bride's home, and they will reside there.

Succeeding Miss Pyle as cashier in the local power office is Robert J. Jarger, formerly of Albany, who comes here from Tacoma, where he had been with the construction department of the Mt. States Power Co.

TO TEST FOR SOIL ACIDITY

Tests will be made for acidity and available phosphates on samples of soil which may be taken to soils meetings which are being arranged at points in Coos county in order to make it easier for persons in these communities to determine some of the requirements necessary to make their land more profitable.

In addition to the soil testing a report will be given of the various fertilizer trials which have been conducted on various crops in Coos county and such subjects as agricultural lime, commercial fertilizers, liquid manure pits and irrigation will be discussed by Arthur King, extension specialist in soils, from the State College.

In taking samples of soil for either of these tests it is advisable, according to the county agent, to take a representative sample of the top eight or nine inches of soil from various points in the field. Some prefer to test a sample of the subsoil taken at a depth from eighteen to twenty-one inches for acidity. Samples to be tested for acidity should be dried and all samples will be tested at each meeting as far as possible. A report will be made on others by mail.

Salary Reduction Bill

Coos county chambers of commerce and many individuals have been questioned by letter by Representative J. H. McCloskey as to the attitude in this county toward the bill to be introduced in the legislature toward a general reduction of elective county officials' salaries, ranging from 6 to 60 percent. The bill is Representative Woodward's, of Portland, who is also sponsor for the proposal to reduce the number of counties in the state from 36 to 9, as an economy measure. He will find lots of opposition to the latter, but there will doubtless be cuts in salaries. These cuts will not affect officials until after their present terms of office expire.

Junior Choral Club to Sing

The Junior Choral club with a membership of over twenty girls of the Junior High School is giving a musical entertainment next Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Pioneer Hall. "A Trip to Europe" is an operetta full of peppy songs and some clever conversation. The girls have been working on it for several weeks and have it well learned. Mrs. E. A. Woodyard is their director. The public is invited. An admission charge of five cents is asked to help defray expenses. Songs by groups of preschool and other children will be given before the operetta.

Fine Orchestra at Graham's Hall

The dance at Graham's Hall last Saturday evening was a most successful affair. Besides the attendance from Coquille there was goodly representation from Marshfield, Bandon, Myrtle Point and from the smaller communities in the valley.

It was announced by Kenneth Stanger, who manages these weekly dances that hereafter they would be jitney affairs, with the same snappy orchestra, the Six Serenaders, who furnished last Saturday evening's peppy music. The management expects to continue these popular dances every week, the next one being tomorrow (Saturday) night.

Calling cards 100 for \$1.50.

COAST HIGHWAY

**Ed Miller Talks to Coquille
Chamber of Commerce on
Subject, Wednesday**

A short session of Coquille Chamber of Commerce directors was held in the city hall Wednesday evening, at which time \$10 was ordered paid to the county chamber of commerce, and the secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to the Lions Club for assuming the sponsorship of the Coquille Boy Scouts for the year.

The rest of the evening was devoted to hearing Ed Miller, manager of the Coast Highway Association, outline the plan under which it is hoped to operate the association this year.

Mr. Miller expressed his appreciation of the way Coos county chambers have supported the association, referring to the action of the Myrtle Point Chamber in voting a \$10 a month payment for its support, although Myrtle Point is not on the Coast Highway.

Ever since this section was settled, co-operation with the outside world has been to the east. Now with the Coast Highway extending from the north to the south boundaries of the state, the co-operation is extending in those directions also.

Among the achievements in which the Association has had a part is the completion of the highway. Mr. Miller stated that the travelling of that last one and three-quarter miles around Heeta Head would be completed in two or three weeks, and Engineer Collier had informed him that the highway would be oiled for its full length by August 1.

Mr. Miller did not say much about the need for five bridges on the highway, but seemed optimistic that something would be doing this year.

He stated that it was remarkable how much had been done in the way of securing publicity without funds the past year, laying it to the fact that the opening of new highway sections is a matter of news, but adding that hereafter the metropolitan press would expect some remuneration in the way of paid advertising.

Mr. Miller stated that for the year 1933 he anticipated the association budget would require \$3500 for office and travelling expenses which the chambers of commerce along the coast would be asked to pay, and that hotels, camp grounds and service stations would be solicited for funds to meet all publicity requirements.

The Coquille Chamber of Commerce quota was estimated at \$20 per month for the year, and the directors voted to budget for seven months of this \$240 total, provided R. L. Stewart was successful in his efforts to secure twenty men to contribute one dollar a month for five months, which would pay Coquille's quota up to May 31. Some local business men have stated they would contribute \$2 a month for the period of five months.

Mr. Miller also spoke briefly on the contacts made with tourist travel organizations in California and as far east as Denver, which have requested Coast Highway literature to a total of 35,000 pamphlets for distribution among their clientele this spring and summer.

From the interest being shown it is a certainty that the Oregon coast section will be visited this year by a greater number of travellers than ever before in its history—and some of them will become permanent residents.

Support of the Coast Highway program is most assuredly worth while by the organizations and citizens along its entire length.

Lots of Weather That Night

Marshal Howell reports that were all kinds of weather Tuesday night. There was a flurry of snow which melted as it fell, a very high wind, thunder and lightning and rain. Sound sleepers, like the writer, knew nothing of any of it.

Revival Meeting to Continue

Because of the interest shown, the evangelists who are conducting services in the Baptist Church have decided to remain during the coming week. Services every evening except Saturday at 7:30 p. m.

To Submit Briefs in Case

Attorneys argued the case of Dennis McCarthy vs. The Coquille Lumber Co. in Circuit court last Tuesday and were instructed by Judge Brand to submit written briefs in the case.

S. D. Clark was a Coquille visitor Tuesday morning from the North Fork section, this side of Lee.