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## NEW PROJECTS

### Being Undertaken by Coquille Chamber of Commerce This Year

At the semi-monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce director, in the hotel Wednesday evening, J. E. Axtell entered upon his duties as secretary, having been named as such by President C. W. Gano.

The matter of an airport for the southern end of the county was brought up in connection with OWA projects. Judge Thompson, who was present, said that the work of making a landing field ready could probably be done out of OWA funds if the site was furnished. Two were talked of and there may be others. One of the sites is at Arago and the other on Tipperary flats this side of Bandon.

A committee, consisting of J. W. Richardson and R. L. Stewart, was named to co-operate with committees from other chambers of commerce to work on the project.

After some discussion the president was authorized to appoint a committee to solicit funds for employing a merchant's night police officer.

For the past year Lewis English, city day officer, has been on duty at night, part of the time all night but more recently from noon to midnight. Marshal Howell is, of course, on duty all night, from 8 to 6.

It is felt that two men are needed all night, and if a night watchman is paid by the merchants it will permit Mr. English to return to day duty.

Another OWA project brought up was that of printing several thousand Coos county publicity folders. The county Chamber of Commerce endeavored to have a \$500 item included in the county budget for this purpose but was unsuccessful. According to the present plan, and which Judge Thompson, chairman of the county relief committee, stated could probably be worked out, was that the press in the bankrupt Courier office might be put to use, with unemployed printers doing the work, provided the Chamber of Commerce furnished the stock and ink. The printers could be paid out of OWA funds, if the project was approved and the crying need of Coos county for publicity matter be thus satisfied.

### 60-Mile Wind Tuesday

The local Mt. States Power Co. crew had a lot of work and not very much sleep Tuesday night. When the juice went off at 10 o'clock they started out patrolling the lines and after that break, a short distance beyond Delmar, was repaired, they were called on other breaks, and did not get to bed until 5:30 Wednesday morning.

A tree which fell across both the Copeco and Mt. States lines back of Libby Wednesday morning did not go through the Mt. States line but continued to burn until the juice was shut off at 12:30. The power company kept a crew there but waited until the noon peak was past before making the repair.

Bob Medley, who drove down the highway to Bandon Tuesday night, says it was the strongest wind he had seen in his 20 years in Coos county. Several times the wind literally pushed his car clear across the pavement, making the tires sing like a soprano reaching high C.

### New Pool Room to Open

Sometime next week Lem Cochran and Ralph Walker will open a billiard parlor and eating house in the Miller Investment Co. building, across the street from the hotel, in the room formerly occupied by Iris A. Elrod's clothing store.

At the council meeting Monday evening three licenses were issued to Mr. Walker. One was an eating house license, another was a billiard and pool room license and the third authorized them to sell 3.2 beer.

### "Assault" With Weapon

Albert Mattucci was brought over from Marshfield last evening by Sheriff Hess, having been bound over to the grand jury on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. The warrants for his arrest was sworn to by a man named Snow. During a drunken row on the midway waterfront, Mattucci attempted to break into a shanty with a spike or iron bar of some kind.

### H. S. Operetta, Dec. 15

Next Friday evening the combined glee clubs of Coquille High School will present their annual operetta. The work chosen for production this year is "The Wishing Well," a three-act musical comedy by May Hewes Dodge and John Wilson Dodge.

The action takes place in the rose garden of Falls Park Manor, Dublin county, Ireland. The music is melodious and typically Irish. The plot is developed with true Irish whimsy. Lady Mary Donnell, the last of an old but impoverished family, lives with a small niece, Noreen, and her four servants Nora, Darby, Kathleen and Dan at Falls Park Manor, the ancestral home of the O'Donnells. Squire Mathew Baxby an old neighbor and friend of the family, is badly in debt. He has been trying to marry Lady Mary and so improve his fortunes. By a ruse he persuades Lady Mary to sign a second mortgage on her home, which he takes to record with her lawyer, Felix Murphy. About this time a gentleman vagabond, known as Terence O'More, is drawn into the plot. He senses the situation and from this point on he works to expose Squire Baxby's duplicity. (Continued on second page)

**POET EMERY—SUBJECT, "GEO."**

One of the unannounced features at the Lions club yesterday noon was the presentation of the twenty-year Boy Scout emblem to N. C. Kelley by Geo. A. Ulett. It is a beautiful pin, bearing the double X numerals to indicate the twenty years of active and sometimes solitary service which the Lions Club secretary has given to the Boy Scout work.

Another Scout matter was settled at the same time when the Lions voted to sponsor both Troops No. 14 and No. 15 for the coming year, at a probable expense of \$150. J. W. Sayre is Scoutmaster of No. 14 and J. E. Axtell of No. 15.

The responsibility for furnishing entertainment every six weeks at the McKinley CCC camp was accepted by the Lions. Their first entertainment will be presented next Friday evening, Dec. 15.

Another unexpected feature yesterday noon was the entertainment furnished by Geo. Ulett, Jr., of his baffling and mystifying magician's art. Even in the rather restricted space of the hotel dining room the spectators could not fathom his tricks.

The Lions were not able to learn the meaning of "Honey boo boo" nor what "250" stands for, so the Sentinel is not alone in seeking light on these subjects.

After his reading of the following original composition, Ferb Emery was made poet laureate of the Lions Club. The "George" mentioned could not be the dignified Lions club president whose second initial is "A" and third is "U."

On Thanksgiving morn,  
So cold and so drear,  
There happened something  
That you all must hear.

George went down golfing  
And, of course, so did I.

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**Social Club Dance Tomorrow**

A fine attendance is anticipated at the Aragon Ball Room tomorrow evening, the occasion being the dance given by the Social Club of Beulah Chapter, O. E. S. Extensive preparations have been made by the committee in charge to insure that those attending have an enjoyable evening. The nature of the evening's features have not been announced, but they will be very worth while and the music by Ernie's artists' dance band is another feature which attracts the crowds to Coquille each Saturday night.

**Three-Quarter Million Collected**

Collection of taxes, current and delinquent, and interest, was just \$2.01 short of three-quarters of a million dollars the past year, and of this amount \$310,314.23 was for delinquent taxes and interest for the years 1926-27-28-29-30-31.

1932 taxes collected this year totaled \$438,227.66, with a further interest collection of \$1,386.10.

This was the report submitted to the county court by the tax collection department. It is probable that 25 per cent of the total was paid in warrants.

Proclaim good will and good health to all by using a Christmas Seal on every package and letter.

## CITY LEVY IS 63.1

### Coquille Rate 2.8 Mills Higher Next Year Than It Was This Year

Of the eight incorporated towns in Coos county, only Myrtle Point and Bandon will have a smaller tax levy this coming year than they had the past, according to information released by Assessor J. B. Beyers the first of this week.

Mr. Beyers and his assistants have been busy extending the 1933 tax rolls and expect to have them ready to turn over to the tax collection department early in January.

Coquille's combined levy is to be 63.1 mills as against 60.3 this year for 1932 taxes. Bandon shows a drop from 88.1 to 84.8; Myrtle Point from 62.2 to 62; while Marshfield's rate is up from 60.7 to 69.6; North Bend's from 86.1 to 87.7; Empire from 58.2 to 62; and Eastside from 71.3 to 71.5.

A part of this general increase is due to an increase of 2.2 mills, from 18.5 to 20.7, in the state and county levy, and that increase is largely due to a reduction of \$900,000 in assessed valuation for the county.

Most of the school district levies are lower than last year, but the state and county increase offsets that drop in the case of nearly all the districts in the county.

The Non-Union High School levy of 6.9 mills would have been a mill or two higher had not Bridge and Lakeside closed their high schools and entered the non-union high district. The increased valuation from those two districts resulted in a lower levy for all the non-union high school districts.

The Port of Bandon levy is 1.5 mills; the Port of Coos Bay, 7.3; while the Port of Coquille River has made no levy.

The city of Lakeside has made no city levy for two years now, although it has an outstanding warrants indebtedness of \$9500.

The levies for the cities are as follows:

	City	School	Port	Total
Empire	14.4	12.7	7.2	62.0
Coquille	21.4	19.5	1.5	63.1
Marshfield	25.4	16.2	7.3	69.6
North Bend	36.5	23.2	7.3	87.7
Eastside	15.1	21.5	7.3	71.5
Bandon	42.5	20.1	1.5	84.8
Myrtle Point	21.3	8.0	0.0	62.0
Lakeside	00.0	13.6	0.0	41.2

Included in the totals above are the 20.7 mills, state and county; 12 mills for union high school in Myrtle Point; 6.9 mills in Empire, Eastside and Lakeside for non-union high districts.

### To Have No Beginners' Class

Notice to Parents and Patrons of School District Number Eight:

Owing to the shortened term in the grade schools, it has been thought best, after careful consideration, not to have any beginning classes at the opening of the second semester this year. The second semester opens Monday, January fifteenth, and with only about three months and one week, it would give neither child nor teacher time to do justice to the work of a beginning class. Teachers are, of a necessity, attempting to do nine months' work in eight months and therefore are moving along as rapidly as possible. We solicit your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely, Chester L. Ward, Superintendent.

### Camp Needs Furniture

Capt. W. M. Boyer, commander at the Fairview CCC camp, says that they are in need of furniture for the recreation hall, and would appreciate the donation of chairs, tables, settees, etc. What he had in mind was discarded furniture, stored in attic or basement, which could be repaired by the boys at the camp and made fit to use. If anyone has old pieces which they would loan to the camp, the truck will call for it. Just phone Capt. Boyer, 6R14.

### Program at CCC Tonight

C. W. Gano, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has arranged the following program for the entertainment which will be presented at the McKinley CCC camp this evening:

Piano solo—Bobby Burns.  
Vocal solo—Randolph Lorenz.  
Accordion solo—Carlton Smith.  
Magician act—George Ulett, Jr.  
Whistling solo—Willett Jesse.  
Reading—S. M. Noeler.  
Vocal solo—Mrs. Maude Woodyard.

Ask for Cow Bell Dairy cream and milk, the only milk and cream made safe by pasteurization.

## PEACE OFFICERS

### Enjoy Saturday's Banquet — Sheriff Hess Elected President For 1934

Officers of Coos county were hosts last Saturday evening at the Coquille Hotel to more than 70 members of the Southern Oregon Law Enforcement Officers Association, several invited guests and wives of some of those in attendance.

H. E. Hess, who was chairman of the committee which arranged for the affair, was made president of the organization for the coming year, and Eugene was selected as the place for the next quarterly meeting.

Judge J. T. Brand, of Marshfield, gave a thoughtful and thought-provoking talk on law enforcement, and declared that prevention of crime should be the first duty of peace officers. Apprehension of the criminal is important but if the crime can be prevented there is no apprehension.

The judge paid his respects to Gov. Rolph, of California, whose statements following the San Jose lynching could in no way be construed as upholding the honor and integrity of the law.

Other speakers called upon by Toastmaster Guy Cordon, of Roseburg, included Hon. B. L. Eddy, Roseburg circuit court judge of Douglas county; Charles Pratt, superintendent of state police; Carl G. Donogh, U. S. district attorney, Portland; C. C. Spears, Portland, of the U. S. department of justice; Wm. McSwain, Portland, U. S. secret service department, and Joe Keller, of the auto theft division of the Portland police department.

The ladies present were Mrs. Martin Pratt, of Portland; Mrs. James T. Brand, Mrs. Archie Philip, Mrs. Percy Philip, Marshfield; Mrs. Henry E. Hess, Mrs. Alice Perrott, Mrs. Wm. Davis, Mrs. J. J. Stanley and Miss Blythe Cousins, Coquille.

Counties represented at the banquet were Jackson, Lane, Douglas, Klamath, Josephine, Curry Multnomah and Coos.

### L. M. Roberts Died Tuesday

Funeral services will be held at the chapel here at 2 p. m. Saturday for L. M. Roberts, who passed away at 5:30 Tuesday evening. Elder J. K. Fish, of the Adventist church, will conduct the services, and interment will be in the Norway cemetery.

Lindsay M. Roberts had lived for 27 years in Coos county, most of the time in Coquille and Powers. About ten years ago he suffered a severe stroke of paralysis, while employed by the Coos Bay Lumber Co. at Powers, and had been ill most of the time since.

He was born at Corvallis, Ore., Aug. 11, 1858, and in May, 1882, was united in marriage to Carrie Moore, of Union, Ore. She passed away at Klamath Falls, July 10, 1927.

Of the ten children born to them, nine still survive: Colman Roberts, Medford; Mrs. C. O. Wells, Medford; Mrs. Arthur Fish, Myrtle Point; Ed Roberts, Lebanon; Mrs. Louise Fairchild, Santa Monica, Calif.; James N. Roberts, Medford; Mrs. A. B. Crawford, San Francisco; Mrs. James Zitzheny, Powers; Mrs. Harold Potts, Marshfield.

Mr. Roberts was for many years county surveyor of Union county and was an Indian War veteran.

### Two Sent Home From Camp

Two boys from the Fairview CCC camp were sent home to Nebraska by Capt. Boyer Monday evening, and the captain says any other of the young men who cannot observe the city's laws when in town will be given the same treatment.

These two, Leslie Nott and Irving Broberg, were arrested Saturday night, one for committing a nuisance and the other for breaking a bottle on the street. They were fined \$10 each by Recorder Leslie Monday morning, who then suspended sentence at Capt. Boyer's request.

The captain expressed himself as appreciating the interest in and courtesy to the CCC boys shown by the people of Coquille, and has advised the young men under his command that if they cannot act as gentlemen when in town and observe the laws, that he will not permit them to remain at the camp.

When you are making out your list of Christmas gifts, don't forget to include Christmas Seals. They not only help the unfortunate, but they pay for community health, which benefits the giver, too.

## Scout Council Last Night

### N. C. Kelley, F. S. Emery and J. W. Sayre Drove Over to Roseburg Last Evening to Attend the Annual Meeting of the Douglas-Coos Scout Council.

O. L. Johnson was re-elected president of the council and W. L. Harris, treasurer. Both live in Roseburg. Mr. Kelley, as Scout Commissioner, and C. C. Farr as district chairman, are the Coquille representatives on the official roster.

There was a good representation from Douglas county at the meeting but the three Coquille men were the only ones from Coos county.

Scout Executive Britton's report showed some increase in membership in 1933 over 1932, but there were nearly 100 more merit badges awarded this year than last, for the two counties.

Arrangements were made last evening for several more visits a year by Mr. Britton for the coming year than he made the past year.

## \$80,000 IN CWA PROJECTS PLAN

More than \$80,000 in CWA projects for Coos county have been proposed by the Coos County Relief Committee, and a considerable portion of it has already been approved by the state committee.

At the present time there are 273 men employed in various sections of the county and double that number, the Coos quota, will soon be at work in the winter relief program. The projects must all be completed by February 15.

Following is a list of the projects already approved by the county committee:

City of Coquille, temporary city health nurse and codifying city criminal ordinances; labor \$360.

Coquille, new wooden sidewalk along highway (not approved last time) from high school to town; labor \$390; material \$31,195, of which the city is to furnish \$300; total cost \$1,585.

Painting Coos county's shops at Coquille, City of Coquille project; cost of labor \$441.60; material, \$315, of which the city will pay \$105; total \$756.60.

Painting county farm buildings, county project; cost of labor, \$1,138.80; cost of material, \$1,074.25, of which state pays \$540; total \$2,733.05.

Painting old court house building, county project; labor, \$1,005.60; material, \$876.15, of which the county will furnish \$300.

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### Bandon Poultry Show Is On

The fourth annual Bandon Poultry Show opened in the Radley building this (Friday) morning, and continues for the week, ending Sunday. The building is equipped to properly exhibit as many or more birds than have ever been shown there.

The poultry industry during the past year has not been up to par by long odds, but interest in superior stock and egg production has not diminished among the real dyed-in-wool poultrymen. For this reason everything points to a splendid show at Bandon this year.

Approximately 3,000 people attended the showing of 600 birds last year, and it is expected both figures will be increased this year.

Chas. F. Winters is president of the association, which arranges for the exhibition.

### CCC Camp Teams to Play

A basketball game is scheduled to be held in the Community Building Saturday evening at 7:30, the opposing quintets being from the Fairview and McKinley CCC camps. Each of these camps had a very good football team and they have a bunch of basketball sharpshooters who know what it is all about.

Admission will be 10 and 15 cents and the fans are sure of seeing some good ball.

### Opens Garage in Port Orford

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hooker left Monday for Port Orford where Louie is opening an automobile repair shop and garage in connection with the Marsh service station on the highway. He has a 40x90 space, concrete floor, and with his equipment and mechanical ability should make a success of the business.

Miss Georgianna Johnson, recording clerk in County Clerk Oddy's office, returned to duty this morning after a two weeks' absence during which she underwent an operation for gonitis.

## GRANGE INSTALLS

### List of New Pomona and Subordinate Grange Officers Now in Charge

Officers of Coos and Curry County Pomona and all of the subordinate granges of Coos county, with the exception of Allegany, Coos River and Catching Inlet, were installed by Arthur Brown, of Salem, state deputy, at the annual jubilee held in the Community building at Coquille, Saturday.

Following a potluck dinner at noon, a program was presented under the supervision of Mrs. H. H. Hansen, of Langlois, with each grange giving a feature.

Officers were installed as follows during the morning session:

**Coquille Grange No. 396**  
Master, Earl Cross; Overseer, John Martin; Lecturer, Mrs. Rakestraw; Steward, Ithamar Robison; Treasurer, Ray Storer; Secretary, Mrs. W. Cunningham; Chaplain, Mrs. Avery; Ceres, Mrs. Earl Cross; Pomona, Mrs. Wheaton; Flora, Mrs. I. Robison; Gatekeeper, Frank Wilson; Asst. Steward, Carlton Smith; Lady Asst. Steward, Mrs. Frank Wilson; Executive Committee, Jim Jacobsen, Grant Cook and Ed Detlefson.

**Broadbeant Grange No. 729**  
Master, Roderick Hermann; Overseer, Ed Decker; Lecturer, Mrs. Ed Decker; Steward, Basil Smith; Treasurer, F. C. True; Secretary, Virna Hermann; Chaplain, Mrs. C. R. Suddam; Ceres, Mrs. Walter Donald; Pomona, Hope Decker; Flora, Mrs. A. Newhouse; Gatekeeper, Ray Osborne; Asst. Steward, Lloyd Lackey; Lady Asst. Steward, Opal Phelps.

**North Bay Side Grange No. 691**  
Master, Hilda Niemi; Overseer, (Continued on fifth page.)

### Frye Indicted for Murder

Raymond Francis Frye, Norway youth, was indicted by the grand jury last week on the charge of murder in the first degree for the killing of H. U. Blackman on Oct. 31. He was taken before Judge Brand, Tuesday, where a motion by his attorney, Dal King, to quash the indictment was denied by the court. He entered a plea of not guilty and Judge Brand set the trial to start next Monday, Dec. 11, at 10 a. m.

Victor McCallister was indicted on an involuntary manslaughter charge for the death of Lewis Coombs, following the accident when McCallister's car struck several of the Coombs family, just beyond Delmar, on the night of Oct. 28.

Still another true bill was returned, one charging Elmer Olson with non-support of his minor child.

The grand jury report was not made until Tuesday after Ray Jeub, one of the grand jurors, had returned from eastern Oregon.

### Woman's Club to Meet

The December meeting of the Coquille Woman's Club will be held at the Episcopal Parish house Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 12, at 2:15 o'clock. The regular business meeting will be held and followed by a Christmas program, which is in charge of Mrs. C. A. Rietman and Mrs. C. L. Ward.

A group of Christmas carols led by Mrs. Lyman Carrier will be sung. These will be accompanied by Miss Muriel Dae's violin ensemble, who will also present a few of their own numbers. A Christmas reading by Mrs. R. E. Boober, vocal selections by the Jenny Lind sextette and violin selections by Martha Carrier will also make up part of the delightful program, which has been arranged. All are welcome to come.

### Merchant Gets Life Term

Harry Merchant, convicted of second degree murder for the death of "Tobe" Morris at Powers early in October, was sentenced by Judge Brand in Circuit court last Saturday to spend the rest of his natural life in the penitentiary at Salem. He was taken out to Salem on Monday by Sheriff Hess.

### Station Open One Day a Week

I want to thank everyone who took out a Red Cross membership during the annual Roll Call; also those giving contributions.

Henceforth the Red Cross headquarters will only be open once a week, on Tuesdays, from 9 to 11 a. m.

Eula P. Schram,  
Chairman Coquille Red Cross

Are you mailing all your letters with Christmas Seals pasted in the back?