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\$2.00 THE YEAR

A FINE PROGRAM

Of Entertainment During Coquille Corn Show Has Been Arranged

While all was not in readiness at a late hour last evening for Coquille's annual Corn Show, everything will be in place by the time the festivities start this morning, and the prospects are for the finest show and program ever presented for the entertainment of Coos county, whether the weather permits a record attendance or not.

Some very fine specimens of corn will be shown, a larger number of entries than last year; the apple showing is splendid, the root crop exhibits are numerous and the display in the Sentinel building will be on a par with the best in previous years.

The booths in the annex of the Community Building presented a bee hive of industry last evening as all the community, farming and industrial exhibitors worked frantically to have things in readiness for this morning.

The Arts and Crafts exhibit in the Grimes Building, next the postoffice, and the knitting exhibition in the power company office are two features, separated from the Corn Show building, which should not be overlooked by Coquille visitors.

The official program on this page gives the hours at which all events will take place during the two days, but the program for Saturday evening's vaudeville is purposely omitted for there are to be some surprise features.

The Gleemen from Eugene are the outstanding attraction for Friday and no one will purposely miss hearing them at the Community Building at eight o'clock this evening. Admission will be 25 cents for every one.

Saturday evening's admission will be 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children. There is a fine list of merchandise donated for door prizes Saturday night.

The parade at 1:30 Friday afternoon, led by the Marshfield high school band, will be worth a trip from anywhere in the county to witness. The school section will be an interesting feature, all providing it does not rain—too much.

Saturday afternoon's Golden Wedding Jubilee will be the high light of the Corn Show. Following is the list of those, married more than 50 years, who have been invited and most of them have accepted the invitation sent them by the Woman's Club to participate:

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lundy, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Barklow, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoffman, all of Myrtle Point; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Soper and Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Robison, all of Norway; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Alford, Mr. and Mrs. James Laird, of Sitkum; Mr. and Mrs. John Appleton, of Bancroft; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Carey, of Powers; Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hanly and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brady, of Leneve; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ray, of Cooson; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flam, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. John Langlois, all of Bandon; Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Tope, of North Bend; Mr. and Mrs. John Hillstrom, of Marshfield and Mr. and Mrs. George Folsom, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Taylor, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cleghorn, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Houck, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Bloyd, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lukens and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown, all of Coquille.

They will be entertained with a dinner at the hotel at noon and at 1:30 will proceed to the Community Building where Rev. W. S. Smith will read a golden wedding service and Rev. W. J. Robertson, of Marshfield, will deliver an address. Music for the occasion will be rendered by Rev. W. Raymond Wilder. Mrs. M. O. Hawkins and Misses Muriel Dae and Florence Cary.

Admission to the Jubilee will be free, but children, unless accompanied by parents, will not be admitted, and it is hoped that the utmost quiet can be maintained throughout the ceremonies.

Gold piece prizes are to be given the couple married the longest, the couple living the longest in Coos county, and gifts are to be presented to each of the other couples.

The street sports are given in detail on the program.

The Coquille Red Devils and the Bandon Tigers are to meet for their second clash of the season at Athletic Park at 2:00 p. m. Saturday.

And last but not least, the Corn Show dance in Graham Hall, handled by the American Legion, will have as fine music as can be obtained in the

Holiday Two Afternoons

The following proclamation has been issued declaring a Corn Show holiday on Nov. 2 and 3, from 12 m. to 4 p. m. each day. The slips distributed Thursday stated 1 to 4 as the hours, but business houses will close at 12:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Coquille Corn Show is being held in the City of Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, on Friday and Saturday, November 2nd and 3rd, 1934; and

WHEREAS, in order to give the business men and all interested citizens an opportunity to enjoy the festivities and assist in making this one of the outstanding annual affairs; and

WHEREAS, the local merchants have requested that a holiday be declared on a portion of those days,

NOW THEREFORE, I, J. Arthur Berg, Mayor of the City of Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, by and through the authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim and declare November 2nd and 3rd, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock M. and 4:00 o'clock P. M. of said days, as legal holidays within this city, and I hereby request that all places of business remain closed during said hours.

J. Arthur Berg, Mayor.

ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY

A repetition of the Sentinel's previously expressed opinion that the city of Coquille would be the loser, instead of a gainer, by changing administrations at this time, is not necessary, and yet such a declaration, just a few days before election, is due Mayor Berg and the councilmen and recorder who have served the city faithfully and well for the past several years.

The present administration has been economical, and has conducted city affairs as efficiently as any administration during the past twenty years with which this writer has been in touch.

We have no word of condemnation or criticism for any of the candidates on the citizens independent ticket. They are high-minded men who would serve the city well, but it is our belief that Coquille would suffer if the proposal to do with less police protection was put into effect. And that is reported to be one of the economy measures contemplated.

City affairs have never run more smoothly than during the past administration, and to make a change just now when brightening skies lead to a hope for complete recovery, would not be a wise move.

Good Thing for Corn Show

J. L. Smith, through the accommodation of Judge Brand who made a plea to the defense attorney at Portland, was excused from appearance as witness in a federal case at Portland, after being summoned to appear on Wednesday of this week. The suit was for damages by school teachers who were hurt in a wreck near Pendleton a year ago when an oil truck ran into them. H. E. Hess and son, also witnesses, left early Wednesday morning, and later word came that the case was postponed.

The Corn Show could ill afford to have had J. L. absent this week.

To Visit in Arizona

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson and daughter, Miss Renae, left last Saturday for a two months' visit with his brothers in Arizona. They will spend part of the time with Albert in Somerville and the rest with Sam at Phoenix. Both the Arizonians formerly lived in Coquille. Albert conducted the ice and ice cream plant, now owned by Geo. Johnson, when it was located where the Peoples Market building now stands.

Hoodlums Bothering Cars

There is a bunch of young fellows who come to Coquille frequently who need especial watching by the police. Their specialty is breaking into cars. Last week they tore the handle off of Geo. Ulett's car so that he couldn't unlock it and had to leave it on the street all night. And every evening there is an attempt made to get into cars in the down town district, especially in the neighborhood of the theatre.

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First street, from the Mt. States Power Co. office to the Liberty Theatre, will be roped off each afternoon for the street sports and on Friday will remain closed to provide parking space for the Gleemen's cars.

CORN SHOW

Program - 1934

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

9:00 a. m. Judging Agricultural Exhibits in Sentinel Bldg. by Prof. G. R. Hyslop, of O. S. C. Community and Industrial Booths and Fox Show in Community Bldg. Arts and Crafts in Grimes' Bldg., B. & P. W. Club in charge. Hobbies and Relics in Mt. States Power window, P. T. A. in charge.

1:30 p. m. Parade in charge of American Legion.

2:30 p. m. Street Sports in charge of Lions Club.

1. Fifty yard dash. Boys under twelve - 50c-25c
2. Fifty Yard Dash. Girls under twelve - 50c-25c
3. Fifty Yard Dash. Boys twelve to sixteen - 50c-25c
4. Fifty Yard Dash. Girls twelve to sixteen - 50c-25c
5. Seventy-five Yard Dash. Free for All - \$1.00-50c
6. Married Women's Race - \$1.00-50c
7. Fifty Yard Dash. Farmers over Forty - \$1.00-50c
8. One-legged Blindfolded Race. Boys - 50c-25c
9. Three-legged Backward Race. Free for All - \$1.00-50c
10. Egg Race. Women - \$1.00-50c
11. Rolling Pin Throwing. Married Women - \$1.00-50c
12. Pie Eating Contest. Boys under twelve - 50c-25c
13. Milk Drinking Contest. Men - \$1.00-50c
14. Nail Driving Contest. Farmers' Wives - \$1.50-\$1.00
15. Burlesque Boxing. Men - \$1.50-\$1.00
16. Weight guessing contest. Farmers only (Horse) \$2.50

3:00 to 4:00 p. m. Free Concert in Community Bldg. by Marshfield High School Band.

8:00 p. m. Eugene Gleemen—Community Bldg. Admission 25c. Corn Show Dance—Graham Hall.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

1:30 p. m. Golden Wedding Jubilee—Community Bldg. No admission charge. Children not admitted unless accompanied by parents.

2:00 p. m. Street Sports in charge of 20-30 Club.

1. 50-yd. Dash. Boys under twelve - 50c-25c
2. 50-yd. Dash. Girls under twelve - 50c-25c
3. 50-yd. Dash. Boys twelve to fourteen - 50c-25c
4. 50-yd. Dash. Girls twelve to fourteen - 50c-25c
5. 75-yd. Free for All - \$1.00-50c
6. 50-yd. Dash. Married Women - \$1.00-50c
7. 50-yd. Dash. Man and Wife - \$1.50-\$1.00
8. Egg Throwing Contest. Adults - \$1.00-50c
9. 50-yd. Milk Can Race. Farmers - \$1.00-50c
10. 50-yd. Sack Race. Men - \$1.00-50c
11. Cowboy Potato Race for Men - \$1.00-50c
12. Cow Weight Guessing Contest. Farmers - \$2.50
13. Burlesque Boxing Match for Men - \$1.50-\$1.00
14. Coin Diving. Boys under twelve - 50c-25c
15. Milk Drinking Contest for Men - \$1.00-50c
16. Burlesque Football Game. Women vs. Men

2:00 p. m. Football Game—Coquille-Bandon.

7:30 p. m. Community Building, Vaudeville Acts, Corn Husking Contest, Cow Calling Contest, Old Time Dance. Admission 25c and 10c. Valuable merchandise door prizes will be given away before the Barn Dance. Corn Show Dance in Graham Hall.

Library Receives 400 Books

The drive for books for the Coquille Library last week was not finished and it is expected to complete the campaign during Book Week, Nov. 18-24.

Mrs. Pearl Ellingsen, librarian states that about 400 books have been received so far, one-fourth of them children's books, one-half fiction and the balance non-fiction.

Compared with what a well-stocked library should have on its shelves the number of books in the Coquille Library is pitifully small. If every man and woman in Coquille would visit the library there would be a much more hearty response to the civic club's appeal for good reading material. The vacant shelves there now would accommodate several hundred volumes—and more cabinets could be built.

Keep 500 Feet from Fire Truck

Notwithstanding repeated warnings to automobile drivers by the fire department, not to crowd in close to the fire truck or the scene of a fire, a whole brideful of cars did that a couple of weeks ago when the Geo. Bryant home was afire, and several of the drivers were compelled to pay fines as a consequence. It happened that one fire truck had to return to the fire hall for gas masks and the bridge was so congested that it could not get through. Five hundred feet distance from the truck is required by law.

Again Asst. County Agent

Everett Davis, assistant in County Agent Jenkins' office for a few weeks last summer, but more recently at Prineville, came in Monday, accompanied by Mrs. Davis, and will remain here for the next two months as assistant county agent. He is employed by the federal government in the Agricultural Adjustment Association.

County Officials Sued

D. F. Thompson, Chas. and Eleanor Doane, are named as defendants in a \$6,000 damage suit, filed with the county clerk on Wednesday by W. B. Riddle for Herbert L. Owen, the plaintiff.

The complaint alleges that the plaintiff bought of C. Ray Griffith 170 acres of land in township 31 in Curry county for a price of \$95 and that all but \$20 of it had been paid, and an extension granted for the balance. Mr. Owen claims to have had 40,000 feet of white cedar on the ground, ready for removal. His purchase was made April 27, 1932.

Conspiracy to cheat the plaintiff out of his property is alleged. About May 1, 1934, Mr. Doane approached Mr. Griffith and offered him \$50 for the tract, stating that Owen had logged it and did not intend to complete payment. It was also stated that the land was about to be sold for delinquent taxes. Doane finally offered Griffith \$50 to sign a blank deed, which the latter eventually did.

Later the deed was offered for recording with a description of the property in question, and it bore the affidavit of D. F. Thompson that Griffith personally appeared before him and acknowledged that he signed the deed voluntarily—the usual oath form.

Griffith denies that he ever appeared before Thompson, or even knows him, and Thompson's complicity and inclusion in the suit is alleged as conspiracy on his part with Doane in using his position as county judge in making a false affidavit.

New Grand Jury Drawn

A new grand jury was drawn Monday from the panel of the October term petit jury. The new jury is composed of J. W. Hildenbrand, Marshfield, foreman; Ben Moomaw, Arago; Z. C. Strang, Edna Slater, Iva Farr, Coquille; Ed. W. Gallier, Bandon; and Lester E. Craft, North Bend.

Changes in Mail Schedules

Outgoing mail for all points north south and east—the morning mail to Roseburg—must be in the postoffice before 9:15 a. m., instead of by 10:15 as formerly.

The incoming evening mail from Roseburg is now due to arrive at 4:50 p. m. The time was formerly 5:30 p. m.

In compliance with the mayor's proclamation the post office will close both Friday and Saturday afternoons at 12 m. It will be open again on Friday only from 4 to 6 p. m.

Rain for Corn Show?

At the time of going to press—the Sentinel was printed Thursday evening this week—the prospects are for a wet Corn Show. But the barometer was rising Thursday morning and the unusual spectacle of lightning and the rolling of thunder about five o'clock last evening may mean fair weather for the two day fall festival.

Nearly four inches of rain have fallen in the past three days bringing the total since Sept. 1 to over 12 inches.

GLEEMEN CONCERT TONIGHT

With a burst of tonal color equal to the glorious hues of fall in the Coquille Valley, the Eugene Gleemen will sing tonight at the community hall, Coquille, in conjunction and as a feature of the Corn Festival celebration.

This outstanding male chorus of 80 voices, a non-profit, civic enterprise from Eugene, Oregon, has won wide praise in many concert appearances throughout the west. John Stark Evans, of the U. of O. School of Music faculty, is director, arranger, and conductor. His magic baton has the uncanny power to weld the many voices of his club into a smooth-flowing unit of synchronized harmonies. From the finest pianissimo to double fortissimo, through expressions from balustrato to tragico, and from love lullies to sailor's chanty, Mr. Evans' baton plays on the 80 keys that are the voices of his charges as one might a pipe organ, and yet avoids any mechanical tendencies in the production.

The Gleemen will go on at 8:00 o'clock, sharp. Tickets will be available at the door at a very moderate charge. This is a non-profit concert for the Gleemen, the only cost to Coquille being the actual expense of bringing the Gleemen here.

The program, as shown here, will include several solo numbers. Miss Cora Moore is accompanist. Delbert Moore, violin soloist, and vocalists, George Bishop, baritone, John Stolp, tenor, John Radmore, baritone, and G. E. Gaylor, tenor. Indications point to a record crowd to hear this exceptional concert.

Program

- Pledge to Oregon.....Evans
Prayer of Thanksgiving.....Kremser
Where'er You Walk.....Handel
The Lost Chord.....Sullivan
Violin Solos
Delbert Moore
Carme.....Neapolitan Air
With G. E. Gaylor, tenor solo, in Italian
Delbert Moore, violin
March of the Men of Harlech
Old Welsh
Serenade.....Romberg
With John Stolp, tenor
Solos
George Bishop
Pira's Song.....Gilbert
With John Radmore, baritone
Turkey in the Straw.....Arr. Schaefer
Comrade Song.....Bullard
O' Man River.....Kern
With Geo. Bishop, baritone

Coal Operations Closed Down

J. Ellis Loreman has filed a lien on the property of the Baker-Lynch Mining Co., and also on the land belonging to A. C. Manters, of Roseburg, where the Baker-Lynch company started coal mining operations, two miles above Fishtrap landing. The lien was filed because of engineering work Mr. Loreman had done there for the company.

Just how the company's affairs will be worked out is not yet known. A number of checks for labor were not honored last week at the bank because of lack of funds, and up to the present no funds have been forthcoming to make the checks good.

B. H. Burns Stricken

Friends who might be inclined to call on B. H. Burns, who suffered a stroke of apoplexy on Wednesday, are requested not to do so now for he can see no one. Mr. Burns is 80 years of age.

ANOTHER PIONEER

Mrs. Matilda M. Willard, Who Came to Coquille in 1873, Died Sunday

Mrs. Matilda M. Willard, one of the oldest Coos county pioneers in the Coquille valley, passed away at the home of her grandson, Lorin Willard, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. She was 90 years, 7 months and 16 days of age, and had lived most of her life since coming to Coquille in June, 1873, on the land homesteaded by her husband, in the Roy district, two miles above Coquille.

Funeral services were conducted at the Gano Funeral Home, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, by Turner B. Macdonald. Interment was in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Born Matilda M. Shaw, March 12, 1844, at Channahon, Ills., she was united in marriage to Orson R. Willard, in Chicago, Nov. 19, 1867. Mr. Willard preceded her to Oregon, and she brought two small children with her on a trip that none but the hardiest attempted. She came from Chicago to San Francisco by train, thence by the boat, "Empire," to Empire, where Mr. Willard met her with a rowboat. They rowed up Coos Bay to Isthmus Inlet and up that slough to the present site of Delmar. At that point the boat was loaded on a sled and a man named Isaacs hitched a horse to the sled and drove it across the divide to Beaver Slough.

They then rowed down Beaver Slough to the then residence of Tite Willard, the founder of the city of Coquille, and a brother of Orson R. Willard, where they rested a couple of days before proceeding up the river to the homestead the husband had taken up. It was at that time 160 acres.

Of the seven children born to them but one survives, Mrs. Lottie Miller, wife of A. G. Miller. The others who preceded their mother in passing from earth were Orson R., Alvin, Charles, Fred, and Frank Willard and Mrs. Anna Willard.

Upon Mrs. Matilda Willard devolved the duty of raising the children of her deceased daughter, all of whom were young when their mother died.

Mrs. Willard remained in fairly good health until Tuesday before her death which was due to the infirmities of old age. Until stricken she was the most independent of women and would allow nothing to be done for her that she could do for herself. Her husband died before the end of the nineteenth century.

Alton Covell Pardoned

Alton Covell, of Coos county, sentenced to a life term in the state prison for the murder of his stepmother, Mrs. Ebba Covell, in 1923, was released Tuesday on a conditional pardon from Governor Meier, says a dispatch from Salem.

Covell was convicted of first degree murder by a jury in the circuit court at Coquille on November 3, 1923, and entered prison to begin his term on December 16. At the time young Covell was only 16 years of age.

An uncle, Arthur Covell, an astrologer, was convicted as the brains in the murder plot and was hanged in the state prison at Salem on May 22, 1925, after carrying his fight for life

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Ten Arrested at Lakeside

State Police Miles, whose headquarters are at Reedsport, arrested ten men at Lakeside last Friday on the charge of illegal fishing. Those who were fined \$25 and costs each by the justice of the peace at Lakeside were A. C. Arnold, Jimmie Braut, R. C. Tepp, L. J. Myers, West Lee, W. R. Jordan, Edward Johnson, Bernard D. Frock, Tom T. Lee and Geo. Green.

Liberty's Corn Show Attraction

For its Corn Show special on Friday and Saturday this week the Liberty Theatre presents "Baby, Take a Bow," in which the juvenile star, Shirley Temple, portrays the title role. The Liberty will run matinees both days, starting at 3:15 p. m. and concluding at 11:15. No preview either night.

Co. Budget Hearing Nov. 30

The hearing on the Coos county budget has been set for Friday, Nov. 30, at 10 a. m.

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