

# The Coquille Valley Sentinel

THE PAPER THAT'S LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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30.00 THE YEAR

## THE 1935 LEVIES

Coquille's to Be 68.5 Mills; Myrtle Point 64.2; Bandon 77.7; Marshfield 75.6

Assessor J. P. Beyers this week completed the computation and tallying of levies for the 1935 tax payments. In every city in the county, except Bandon and Empire, the levy is higher in 1935 than it was in 1934.

Coquille's levy increases from 63.1 mills to 68.5; Marshfield's from 69.6 to 75.6; North Bend's from 87.7 to 93.4; Myrtle Point's from 62 to 64.2; Eastside from 71.5 to 76.6. Bandon's levy drops from 84.8 mills to 77.7; and Empire's from 87.7 to 59.3.

The state and county levy will be 23.8 mills next year, where it was 20.7 for this year.

The Coquille levies are: schools 20.9, Port of Bandon 1.7; city 22.1 and state and county 23.8; a total of 68.5 mills.

Marshfield's combined levy is divided, schools 17.3, Port of Coos Bay 7.4, city 27, state and county 23.8.

North Bend, total 93.4; schools 25.6, Port Coos Bay 7.4, city 36.6, state and county 23.8.

Myrtle Point, total 64.2; schools 9.2, union high 12.2, city 19, state and county 23.8.

Bandon, total 77.7; schools 20.2, Port Bandon 1.7, city 32, state and county 23.8.

Empire, total 59; schools 8.3, non-union high 5.9, Port Coos Bay 7.4, city 13.9, state and county 23.8.

Eastside, total 76.6; school 20.7, non-union high 5.9, Port Coos Bay 7.4, city 18.8, state and county 23.8.

The following is a list of the combined levies for the various school districts in the county, although there is some variation in the figures from those reproduced in regard to port levies.—Some school districts lie in one port district, some in two and a few also have a portion outside any port district:

1. Boardman, 36 mills.
2. Arago, 37.4.
3. Riverton, 32.
4. Twin Oaks, 39.2.
5. Empire, outside city, 45.4.
6. Coquille, outside city, 46.4.
7. Marshfield, outside city, 48.5.
8. Cunningham, 34.6.

### Grange Council Session

The Coos and Curry Grange Council met in Coquille last Saturday with Bridge, Fairview, North Bayside, Myrtle, and Coquille Granges represented.

Those presenting papers were Mrs. Lillian Hines, of North Bend, her subject being, "The Lecturer's Hour"; "The Agricultural Program" by W. E. Cross, Coquille; "A County Chorus" by Mrs. Beth Culver, of Bridge.

The subjects given out for the next meeting were: "Suggestions for the Good of the Council," Geo. Jenkins, Coquille; "Plans for County-wide Helpful Grange Visiting," Mrs. Beth Culver, Bridge; "What Our Monthly Social Meetings Have Done for Coquille Grange," John A. Martin; "Courtesies to Our Elderly Members and Duties to Our New Members," Mrs. Ruth Brown, Bridge, and "Grange Spirit Defined and Evaluated," Mrs. Hilda Rieher, North Bayside.

The Council voted to hold the county installation at Myrtle Point, December 15, at 7 p. m., and the Annual Jubilee at North Bayside on Jan. 19, the third Saturday, for an all-day meeting.

The president, Geo. Hampton, announced that the Coos Grange Gas Co-operative Association was ready to begin work.

The Council voted to hold regular meetings in Coquille the first Saturday of each month at 1:30 p. m.

### Names That Mean Something

The county court this week made a sensible move when it changed the names of several election precincts, giving them designations which indicate clearly where the precinct is located. The name Burton was changed to Fairview, Newport to Englewood, Missouri to Gravel Ford, Enchanted to Bridge, Rowland to North Powers, and Powers to South Powers.

### Eden Ridge Camp Closed

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Pointer and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McCue returned to Coquille Wednesday from Powers. The men have been working in the Coos Bay Lumber Co. camp on Eden Ridge which closed down this week. There has been snow on the ridge for the past two weeks, and whether the shut-down lasts beyond the first of the year will depend upon the weather.

### Mrs. A. M. Lamme Buried

Mrs. A. M. Lamme, who had been confined to her bed since the first of June and had been in very poor health for a year prior to that, passed away at her home on Fifth street Wednesday morning. The services were held at the Gano Funeral Home at 2 p. m. yesterday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. Raymond Wilder. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

She was born Lucinda Moreland, in Missouri, Jan. 19, 1873, and would have been 62 years of age next month.

She was married to A. M. Lamme, who survives, in Galena, Kansas, 42 years ago. She is also survived by one daughter, Mrs. Nota Finley, who resides on the Myrtle Point highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamme came to Oregon about 32 years ago, and have lived in Medford, in California and other points before coming to Coquille more than 20 years ago.

### Making Over Into a Hospital

Workmen are preparing to stucco the exterior of the old Graham's Dance Hall which Doctors Wilson and Rankin are having remodelled and fitted up for use as a hospital.

## HUGO, THE HERMIT, ARRESTED

Hugo Mayer, the wild-man hermit who had been sought for the past month for the murder of his neighbor, Robert Fauntz, was arrested at his cabin near the Josephine county line, Wednesday noon, by Sheriff Fritz Smith, of Curry, and State Police Guy Forsythe.

Mayer admits his guilt and offers as an excuse that Fauntz "plotted against me." The supposition is that the murdered man interfered with the wild man's trapping activities.

Mayer was taken to Grants Pass yesterday and lodged in the Josephine county jail, the murder having occurred in the latter county.

For 30 years Mayer has lived alone in the Curry county backwoods, stunning all human society and evidently resented the encroachment of others on his wild domain.

The officers arrested him after receiving a tip that smoke had been seen issuing from the chimney of Mayer's house. They watched Tuesday night and until noon on Wednesday when he returned from a trip into the woods.

With his long hair and whiskers, the little man, who is five feet, six inches in height, attracted widespread attention in Gold Beach before his removal to Grants Pass and seemed quite bewildered that so much fuss should be shown over his retiring self.

### Dunham's Shifts Managers

Due to the resignation of Roy Petty as manager of Dunham's store here in Coquille, there have been several changes in the stores of the organization. Velorous Call, who has been manager of the store at Reedsport, is transferred to the Coquille store as manager, and was expected to take charge this week. Roy Frye, formerly at Powers, is transferred to Reedsport, and Don Carver, employee in the Coquille store, has been made manager of the Powers store. These changes were announced by Fred Wimer, who was over from the Bay on Tuesday.

Mr. Petty has joined the Shell company force, a position he formerly held.

### 250 on Pay Roll Now

The Smith Wood-Products plant met the largest payroll in its history on Wednesday of this week. At the present time there are 200 men and 50 women and girls employed there. The unusually large number of men employed is due to the construction activity going on now and which will continue for a month or more yet.

As told in the Sentinel a couple of months ago, two more units are being added to the plant, a dry-kiln and storage unit is being constructed, and additional dock space provided.

### Stockhoffs to Return to Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Stockhoff, who have been on the Russ place across the river for the past five years, expect to leave by the 20th of the month, again to make their home on their own ranch in Humboldt county. They have just built a new house on their place.

Mr. Stockhoff has asked to be relieved of the Russ property management here, but until some one is named he will continue to act in that capacity, making trips to Coquille occasionally through the winter.

## FOR CHRISTMAS TRANSIENT CAMP

Coquille Makes Plans for Helping the Needy With Well-Filled Baskets

There were a score or more present for the meeting in the city hall, Wednesday evening, called by the 20-30 Club, to make arrangements for the Christmas basket relief which Coquille is planning for this year.

Mrs. C. C. Farr was made chairman of the executive committee, the other members being Mrs. A. N. Gould, Mrs. J. R. Bunch, Mrs. Ethel Fuller and Harold Gould.

The corner room of the Sentinel building was named as supply headquarters where gifts of toys and foods may be left during the hours some one is there to receive them. Next week the room will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 2 to 4 p. m. each of those days.

From lists furnished by Mrs. Elrod, county health nurse, by P. W. Lane, superintendent of schools, and names secured from other sources, it is estimated that about 60 baskets will be needed this year. Some of these are for single individuals, others for a couple, and more for families where the children range from one to eight in number.

The first request for contributions is for toys, and the young men of the 20-30 Club have arranged to repair, and repaint if necessary, such toys as are left at headquarters during open hours next week.

Quantities of food will be needed for the packing of baskets just before Christmas, and considerable cash will also be required from those who are able to contribute that. The probable list of provisions needed for the baskets is as follows: 200 lbs. beef, 60 lbs. butter, 60 large loaves bread, 400 lbs. spuds, 60 lbs. coffee, 150 lbs. sugar, 75 cans peas, 75 bunches carrots, 75 bunches celery, 75 pts. jelly or jam, 75 jars fruit, 5 boxes apples, 3 crates oranges, 75 lbs. candy.

Every church, club, lodge and society is urged to participate in this contribution to a cause which will bring Christmas cheer to scores whose day might otherwise be dark and devoid of the brightness which is associated with Christmas.

The following were named at an executive committee meeting last evening, as chairmen of committees which will handle the various phases of the work:

Investigation committee—Mrs. J. R. Bunch.

Cash—Mrs. Ida Owen.  
Toys (old and new)—20-30 Club.  
Packing Baskets—Mrs. Earl Nosler.  
Distribution—Clarence Benn.  
Receiving Station (Sentinel Bldg.)—Harry Oerding.

Thoughts expressed therein should be written by Curtis A. Smith, brother of J. L. Smith, of Coquille, for the Winnipeg, Canada, Community Chest. One line has been changed to make it fit Coquille, and the below is reprinted a plea which taken to heart by everyone.

"Unto one of the least of these" If there is any finer feeling, any greater satisfaction than that which comes to one who has done an act of kindness for a child in trouble, or helped the helpless in distress, civilized man has yet to discover it.

Organized charity, which is necessary in order that our giving be efficient, comprehensive and adequate, has removed us to a large extent from direct contact with those whom we would help and our giving tends to become business-like and from reason rather than compassionate and from the heart.

Let us, in contributing to this great and noble work of the Coquille Christmas Cheer use our imagination. Let us imagine as we give that we stand in the presence of those whom we help and can see the expressions and hear the words of gratitude.

Let us picture the helpless little children who need nourishment, medical care and kindness—dear old men and women who need befriending, the patient blind, all the helpless and infirm—and yes, even the approving countenance of Him, who said,

"In-as-much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

At Fairview Report Made by Superintendent A. G. Freiwald—200 Expected

The following report on the Transient Camp at Fairview is handed the Sentinel by its commander, A. G. Freiwald:

On October 19, 1934, a nucleus of four men arrived at the old CCC camp at Fairview to generally clean it up and make it habitable as a Federal Transient Camp. Since that time 89 transients have been received in camp, 46 of them coming from Klamath Falls, 37 from Eugene and six from Marshfield. It is expected that before December 15 the total will be brought up to 200, the full capacity of the camp.

During the month of November the men in camp have, besides putting the camp in excellent condition, done considerable work for Coos county. The value of this work may be better appreciated if put on a dollar and cents basis, using thirty cents per hour as a fair wage for this type of work.

Coquille City Park, general cleaning up, 546 hrs. - \$163.80  
Road Ditching, Norway-Lee-Crusher Site, preparing site, 192 hrs. - 57.60  
Coos Co. Park, brushing out, trails, etc., 66 hrs. - 19.80

Total - \$446.40  
With the splendid co-operation of (Continued on Page Seven)

### A Short Council Session

In the absence of Mayor J. Arthur Berg and R. A. Jeub, chairman of the city council, C. W. Gano was chosen as acting mayor at the council session Monday evening, with five councilmen present.

The application of Farr & Elwood, presented by C. C. Farr, for permission to alter the interior of the Ford garage, into which the company will move early next year, was granted. The plans call for the changing of interior partitions, installation of windows, and the construction of a loading dock inside the door on the highway side.

Councilman Lefevre reported that a street light had been installed in front of the Lincoln school, as requested, but that the petition for lights in front of the Masonic Temple and in front of the Church of Christ, had been denied.

The council allowed the usual monthly bills against the city, received the treasurer's and recorder's monthly reports and adjourned.

### National V.F.W. Commander Heard at Roseburg Sunday

A delegation consisting of Commander Ellis Fuller, Past Commander Harry Oerding, Junior Vice Commander Earl Nosler and Comrades Brophy, Mack, Hassler and Laird went to Roseburg Sunday to hear Commander in Chief Van Zandt speak on the seven point program of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The C. in C. told how this program was three points for the vets and four for the general public. The four points that were to help the general public as well as the veterans being: first, prosecution and deportation of communists and other individuals advocating overthrow of our government by force or violence; second, conscription of capital and industry in time of war upon the same basis as armed force; third, immediate federal control of munitions plants for the prevention of international traffic in armaments; fourth, an adequate

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### Mrs. Kistner Seriously Ill

Mrs. W. L. Kistner has been quite seriously ill at her home on Hall street since last Friday and the constant attention of an attendant is necessary. Her sister, Mrs. Geo. W. Kistner, and son, Claud, from Arcata, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Maggie Trigg, and the latter's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Sutherland, from Ferndale, were here last week because of her serious condition. Mrs. Kistner and son remained until after Thanksgiving.

### Bankers Meet Tonight

A. A. Schramm, state superintendent of banks, is expected to attend the meeting of the Southwestern Oregon Bankers Association which will be held in the Chandler Hotel at Marshfield this evening.

### Ice and Frost This Week

With the cessation of rain last Monday, southwestern Oregon has enjoyed several days of beautiful fall weather, although the nights have been colder than usual, with ice on exposed spots both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. The fog on both of those mornings lasted until nearly noon and was as dense as it ever becomes.

Rainfall for the season has reached the 23-inch mark, with half of it falling in November. That is about ten inches more than fell in November last year. There were 27 days on which rain fell last month and three are designated as "partly cloudy".

### H. S. Operetta Tonight

"Betty Lou," operetta to be presented by the combined glee clubs of the Coquille High School, under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Beyers and Miss Phyllis Hall in the community building this evening, will be a very entertaining school feature. The young people have been practicing very earnestly and their presentation will no doubt be enjoyed by a large attendance.

## FAIRVIEW ROAD IS DANGEROUS

The following letter from Lans Leneve tells of near accidents, or fatalities, on Fairview mountain a couple of weeks ago, and his suggestion that the county court avail itself of the opportunity to have the Coquille-Fairview road made safe for travellers, is so pertinent that it is given first page position, a prominence not usual for communications to the Sentinel:

I note in a recent issue of your paper where a member of the Commercial Club advocates hiring the transients at the CCC camp with state funds, to help straighten out the kinks and curves on the Marshfield-Coquille highway. The trouble is, that everybody turns an eye upon highways where the elimination of a few curves would mean more speed. The trouble of it is that we have too much speed as it is upon our highways.

I can point out a certain stretch of county road that the people who travel it are not worrying about the curves, but actual peril to their lives. If county funds or CCC, NRA, PWA, etc., or some other sort of funds could be used for it, it would be a God-send to many.

The road I have reference to is the road from Fairview to Coquille, over the Fairview mountain.

There are all sorts of old dead snags standing along the right of way and every high wind there are all the way from one to a half dozen of them fall across the road and also

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### O. E. S. to Have Turkey Dinner

A fine turkey dinner, with all the trimmings, will be served in the Masonic Temple banquet room next Thursday evening, Dec. 13, at 6:30 o'clock. All Eastern Star members, their husbands, and all Masons and their wives and immediate families are invited to be present. A charge of 25 cents per plate will be made. After the dinner Beulah Chapter O. E. S., will hold a regular meeting upstairs, at which time election of officers for 1935 will take place.

### Paul McElwaine Going to Detroit

Paul V. McElwaine, proprietor of the Southwestern Motor Co., of Coquille, and the Bay Motors, of Marshfield, is leaving tomorrow morning on a two weeks' trip back to Detroit where Chevrolets and other General Motors cars are manufactured. He will leave on a special train from Portland with other Chevrolet dealers from the Northwest, and other Pacific coast dealers will leave from San Francisco and Los Angeles.

### To Have Past Masters' Night

The annual election of officers for Chadwick Lodge, No. 88, A. F. & A. M., will take place at the stated communication of the lodge next Tuesday evening, Dec. 11.

A Past Masters' Night has been set for Friday evening, Dec. 21, at which time two candidates will receive the M. M. degree.

### Will Take Office Jan. 6

There seems to be a difference of opinion as to when newly elected county officials take office. It is not the first of January, but the first Monday in January, which next month will be on the 6th.

## MEMBERS DRIVE

For Coquille Chamber of Commerce to Start Next Tuesday—Committees Named

President J. E. Norton announced at the Chamber of Commerce directors' meeting Tuesday noon, that H. A. Young would act as secretary of the organization for the coming year, at the weekly dinner meetings. The correspondence will be taken care of in Mr. Norton's office.

The annual membership drive will start next Tuesday morning, Dec. 10, with six teams doing the soliciting—Don Gillespie, J. A. Fitzpatrick and Drue Cunningham on Front street; R. L. Stewart, H. A. Young and Geo. Belloni on First street; O. L. Wood, F. W. Martin and J. E. Axtell on Second; Wm. Barrow, Lafe Compton and C. W. Gano soliciting the professional men; J. P. Beyers, Geo. H. Jenkins and J. L. Smith at the court house; C. E. Niles, M. M. Newdall and F. S. Emery contacting the industrial plants.

It was suggested, and the plan will be carried out as far as possible, that all Chamber of Commerce subscriptions be on a monthly basis, and that some one be secured on a percentage basis to make the collections each month.

In announcing the committee appointments of the chamber for next year, Mr. Norton stated that he had reduced the number of committees to ten and that in addition to the two directors named on each those two were expected to name one, two or three other members to serve with them.

Following is the list he submitted: Finance and Budget—R. L. Stewart, F. W. Martin.

Entertainment and Membership—O. W. Wood, Lafe Compton. Civic—Geo. Belloni, Wm. Barrow. Highway—J. E. Norton, J. A. Lamb. Agriculture—Geo. H. Jenkins, J. L. Smith.

Fish and Game—Don Gillespie, Drue Cunningham. Legislature—J. E. Axtell, J. P. Beyers.

Education and Public Welfare—C. W. Gano, J. A. Fitzpatrick.

Publicity—H. A. Young, M. M. Newdall. Industries—C. E. Niles, F. S. Emery.

An interesting feature of the luncheon session was the well delivered talk, given by Geraldine Minard, of the Coquille high school, on the Christmas Seal stamp, its origin and the benefits which have accrued to humanity as a result.

### Jack Cramer to Australia

The following item which appeared in a Grants Pass paper, concerning Jack Cramer, who was Coquille high school principal for two years, will be of interest to his hosts of friends here and at Bandon where he was superintendent for a time:

Word has been received by friends here that Captain J. F. Cramer, former superintendent of schools in this city, has been granted a six-months traveling fellowship in Australia.

Captain Cramer is at present commanding officer of a CCC camp at Cathlamet, Wash., about 25 miles from Longview. Local friends, who are forwarding congratulations, say that Captain Cramer has realized an ambition of long standing in obtaining the fellowship, which is granted by the Carnegie Institute. He will sail for Australia about April 1, 1935, and Mrs. Cramer will probably accompany him, according to present plans. In Australia Captain Cramer will study the educational system and prepare material desired by the Carnegie Institute.

### The Coquille Woman's Club

Next Tuesday, Dec. 11, the Woman's Club will hold its regular meeting in the Episcopal Parish hall at 2:15 o'clock, with a Christmas program. All members and others who may be interested are urged to attend. It is the wish of the club to increase their membership and anyone desiring to join may do so by giving their name to any club members for presentation, and paying the nominal annual dues.

### Stamp Club Exhibit Saturday

The Southwestern Oregon Stamp Club is holding its second annual session in Marshfield this evening. Tomorrow there will be a large and interesting exhibition of stamps in the room across Central avenue from the Chandler Hotel. The exhibit will be open from 12 until 9 p. m., and anyone interested is invited to step in and view it.