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Dike Road Now Used Through Foot of Water

River Has Dropped Three and One Half Feet Since High Mark of Monday Afternoon

The Coquille river which slipped out of its banks last Sunday and by Monday morning had buried the dike section of the Coast Highway under a blanket of water four and one-half feet deep at the low spot, had dropped nearly 40 inches by this morning, which is very slow as compared with its usual subsidence.

The gauge at the bridge here Monday read 23.3 feet above mean low water and this morning it read 19.7 feet.

Mall for Bandon and down the coast points has been transported by bus to Bandon, and the Bandon road having also been closed last Monday.

The flood this week is about a foot higher than it was the fore part of December.

No loss of life has resulted from the flood, but it has moved in on the Smith Wood-Products and Swift plants where motors were pulled to a higher spot Sunday night and Monday morning.

Nor is this valley the only place where excessive rains have caused trouble on the highway. The Rogue river at Gold Beach was threatening the highway and near Dunsmuir, Calif., on the Pacific Highway a huge slide blocked traffic.

A truck driver coming in from Roseburg early this morning reported that cave-ins had occurred at many points in the canyon and that the wash of the flood water had eaten to the bank.

Mails have been fairly regular, the only delay of consequence being last Sunday when because of Saturday night's storm the train was not started from Eugene to Coos Bay until daylight.

Cars have been using the dike road this morning, without convey.

Power Co. Crew Was Very Busy

While the power being off last Saturday afternoon and evening for three hours and for a while Sunday morning was an inconvenience, especially to housewives who have electric stoves, a great deal of commendation is due the Mt. States repair crew which was on the job as quickly as the first trouble call came in. They worked steadily all night, in as bad a storm as this section has seen for many years.

Their first call, about three o'clock Saturday afternoon, was on the North Fork line, one break being near Fox bridge and another farther up the stream.

Before that repair was completed the Coquille to Marshfield line went out, the break being near China camp. That break was repaired in less than three hours, the juice being off from 4:20 to 7:10.

After that there were repairs, or hook-ups to be made at Myrtle Point and on the Bandon line, and Sunday morning the crew went over to Marshfield to re-pole the line coming over here. It had broken from the pole but the wire had not snapped so that juice was coming through with the wires down.

It was a tough night's job but the crew stood until the storm abated Sunday morning.

Walter Eagan and Nedolph Wilson are now proprietors of the Chief Pontiac Co., whose sales room and office are in the Roosevelt Service Station building on Front street, the former having purchased the interest of Wayne Loveless in the business.

Coquille Hopes for the Best

The hearing by the examiner of the National Labor Relations Board of the two cases filed against the Smith Wood-Products company by workmen discharged last fall was completed last Saturday.

While the company, its attorneys, the men who desire to work, and all business interest here, hope that the decision by the board in Washington some weeks hence will be favorable to the company, there is a deep-seated thought in the minds of many that the decision will be the same as it would have been had no hear-

C. of C. Adopts Budget of \$1200

Harry L. Clasterbos, chairman of the budget committee, reported the following as this year's probable expenses for the Chamber of Commerce at the board of directors luncheon meeting in the hotel Tuesday noon, and it was approved by the board:

Coast Highway	\$ 300.00
Highway committee	100.00
Advertising and publicity	150.00
Telegraph and telephone	75.00
Secretary and office supplies	350.00
Christmas Decorations	75.00
Co. Chamber of Commerce	25.00
Miscellaneous	125.00
Total	\$1,200.00

The treasurer reported that \$1371 had already been pledged for 1933 with several concerns yet to be heard from.

A resolution was adopted providing that Coquille should be represented in opposition to the request for a through run between Portland and San Francisco by the Coast Lines Limited, comes before the public utilities commission.

Rev. Geo. R. Turney attended the session to call attention to the Choral Club concert that evening. He pointed out that the club members paid 50 cents a month dues and devoted one evening a week to rehearsals, so that the club could furnish entertainment for Coquille; that the silver offering at such concerts usually does not pay for the music purchased, and that no one aside from the director received a cent for his or her services.

He suggested that it might be a good policy for some live civic organization to act as sponsor for the Choral Club and give it the support it deserves.

Port to Have Fine Tug

Anyone interested in ship building should visit the Port of Bandon shipyard at Prosper where the new Port tug is being built under the supervision of Capt. Victor Latta, commander of the tug Kilhyam.

If a more sturdy vessel was ever constructed it was not in this section. Heavy timbers, thick planking and decking have all been trimmed to size at the port's own plant at Prosper. The boat is 80 feet or more in length and is to be diesel-powered. It will be ready for launching and put into commission some time this spring or early summer.

4 Sentenced in Circuit Court

In circuit court last Thursday Judge Brand sentenced the three young men who broke into a store at North Bend. James Arnold Olson was given two years in the pen, Alred Jerold Herbert one year and Ernest Ely five years.

Louis Medley, who removed a radio from the county on which he had not completed installment payments, was sentenced to six months in the county jail. Serving of the sentence was suspended during the time he conducts himself as a law-abiding citizen, provided he settles with the Hub in full for the radio.

District Junior Women's Convention Is Postponed

The convention of Junior Women's Clubs in this district, scheduled to be held here Sunday, has been postponed to a later time, the date not yet set. High water and flood conditions were responsible for the postponement.

Caught 64 Pound Sturgeon

Harry Kraus and Tom Henderson went fishing in Isthmus Slough Tuesday, below Millington, and yesterday morning they were exhibiting a 64-pound sturgeon which Harry landed. The vicious-looking thing, which looks somewhat like a small shark, measured 67 inches in length.

ing been held.

The preponderance of testimony at the hearing was that the contracts had all been signed before the strike, that the company did not attempt to coerce its employees in their selection of union affiliation, and Geo. Ulett's statement on the stand that all the striking workmen would be again employed if they applied should have considerable weight in the board's consideration of the case. This week the plant has been down due to the high water, but the plywood department is due to start soon.

"Rose Maiden" Was Splendidly Presented

Choral Club and Members Win Fresh Laurels at the Concert Tuesday Evening—Receipts \$288

The Pioneer church was well filled Tuesday evening with an appreciative audience which heard the Coquille Choral Club's presentation of "The Rose Maiden." The club members have been practicing for several months for this program, under the direction of Mrs. Maud Woodyard, and the chorus numbers showed how diligently and with what painstaking effort she had molded the chorus until the voices blended into one perfect harmony.

The pianist, Miss Margaret Purvance, and the organist, Miss Egan, were vital artists in helping produce the very pleasing and entertaining program.

The chorus numbers included: "Green Vale, and Vine-Clad Mountain," "A Maid More Beautiful Than May," "Mid the Waving Rose Trees," "Oh! Earthborn Sorrow," "Tis Thy Wedding Morning." Miss Anita Paegler presented solo numbers which delighted music lovers. She has a splendidly trained voice and the audience appreciated her selections which included "So Spake the Spring" and "Bloom on, My Roses."

Mrs. Roy Barton never fails to charm her hearers and her voice was at its best Tuesday evening. Her selections were "Alas! The Hand is Thine" and "Oh! Earthborn Sorrow."

Mrs. John Clabaugh, a newer member of the Choral Club, sang "God" (Continued on Page Ten)

Library's Financial Report

The Coquille Library financial report for 1932, as prepared by its treasurer, O. C. Sanford, was read at the council meeting Monday evening, as follows:

Receipts	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1932	\$121.28
City of Coquille contributions	900.00
Woman's Club donations	63.50
Fines, book rentals	129.51
Books sold	6.01
Postage refund	1.72
Dues from non-residents	4.21
Total	\$1,226.23

Disbursements	
Librarian's salary	\$720.00
Janitor service	24.00
Repairs to library	36.56
Books, magazines, papers	165.62
Supplies	24.55
Miscellaneous	50.00
Total	\$1,020.73
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1933	\$205.50

Dunn Attending State Meeting

Supt. B. W. Dunn left this morning for Salem to be gone until Sunday. As secretary of the State Superintendents' Association, there were a few finishing touches to the program for the annual meeting in Salem, Friday and Saturday, which needed his attention.

Gov. Martin is to give the address of welcome at the session and other speakers will include Marshall Dana, of the Journal, Dr. Bruce Baxter, president Willamette university, Rex Putnam, state superintendent, and H. H. Dixon, of the U. of O. medical school.

Unsold Stock Being Sold by Northwest Liquidators

Northwest Liquidators, the Portland concern which makes a business of buying bankrupt and assigned stocks of merchandise and closing them out, is elsewhere in this issue advertising a close out sale of the Geo. Unsold stock in the Grimes building, second door east from the postoffice.

The sale will open Friday morning and it will be moved out as quickly as possible. The stock invoiced over \$5200 and reductions in sale prices run as much as 50 per cent.

Miss Frances Oddy, daughter of County Clerk and Mrs. L. W. Oddy, broke a small bone in her ankle last Sunday while out skiing up the McKenzie. She received the skis last Christmas and this was only the second time she had been on them. With her ankle in a cast her doctor says she can resume her duties as secretary to the postmaster at Eugene next week.

Ideal Bakery To Have Open House Friday

Process of Making Bread in the New Plant to Be Shown to the Public From 11 Until 6

The Ideal Bakery which is to hold open house tomorrow (Friday) from 11 a. m. to 6 p. m., when the general public is invited to come in and see the operation of their new equipment, will also serve coffee and cake to all visitors.

The Sentinel scribe asked Everett Seely to tell us about the operation of this \$10,000 worth of new equipment and he showed us through the bakery, explaining the entire process from flour to your wrapped loaf of bread. The bakery is now turning out 300 loaves of bread daily besides its pastries, rolls, etc., and has a capacity of two thousand loaves a day.

Including the proprietors—Mr. Seely and Chas. Gallas—there are seven people employed there.

The baker is Virgil Meaker, who came three months ago from the Julia Lee Wright Bakery in Portland, and is most proficient in the bread-making art.

A Sperry Flour Co. baker also spent a couple of days here recently to help in turning out the finest quality of bread with new formulas and new ideas in baking.

Ernest Paegler, who has been with the Ideal Bakery for two years after a two-years stay in Bandon, had 15 years' experience in the east as a baker. He specializes in cakes, cookies and fancy pastry.

Mr. Gallas mixes the dough and Mr. Seely, besides attending to the business, also helps in running the machinery.

A noteworthy change is the rearrangement of the retail room of the bakery and the redecorating and painting, which has made the entire bakery from front show windows to rear wall a better lighted and more attractive place.

The baking of bread is started when the flour is placed on the elevator, automatically weighed and sifted and dumped into the high speed mixer where the water of proper temperature is added. After this mixing the dough is taken to the steam box where it is aged for six hours, then goes back to the mixer for more flour and water, and the milk, sugar, malt and salt are added (Continued on Page Nine)

No Response to Tags Now

Only three traffic tags have been handed out by the city police since the movement was started to have greater leniency shown visitors in Coquille. Two were for double parking and one for overtime. The three evidently thought the leniency applied in their cases, too, for not one of them responded to the summons.

Since the above was put in type last week and omitted for lack of space two violations of parking regulations have drawn tags. One man paid a dollar for double parking and the other \$2 for parking on the sidewalk near Folsom's Grocery.

Dr. Richmond Talks at Rotary

Dr. Jas. Richmond, with an interesting talk on early days in Coquille, furnished the entertainment for the Rotary club yesterday noon. The doctor said that there had been no change in weather conditions in Coos county in the last 40 years, that the rain and floods were just as frequent then as they are now.

High school seniors present were Leonard Ensele, Carolyn Perrott and Beatrice Sanders. Other guests were: Elton Schroeder, of Myrtle Point, Louis Donaldson, of Powers, and Rotarian Frank Skewis, of Marshfield.

Poulton to Seek Re-election

F. E. Poulton, constable for Coquille district, No. 3, informed the Sentinel yesterday that he will be a candidate to succeed himself in that office. As early as the statutes permit he will file as a candidate for the democratic primaries in May.

Mr. Poulton has made many friends by his prompt and courteous attention to the duties of the office and many of them have asked him to seek office again.

The Girls' Club for exercise, which met at the high school last week, will meet in the Community Building this (Thursday) evening at seven o'clock.

Let Them Come to Coos County

A drought item for flooded Coquille valley people:

C. C. Smith brings in a copy of the Topeka, Kans., Feb. 5, Daily Capital, in which it is noted that the merchants of Kinsley in western Kansas had printed and paid for a full page adv. in their local newspaper asking for rain before Feb. 17, with the thought in mind that "it pays to advertise."

And an item in the Feb. 6 issue of the Capital tells of a dust storm in the Kinsley vicinity! But there is time yet for nature to read and heed the adv.

Coos county could spare them several inches from this year's moisture supply here.

Jr. Chamber of Commerce Organized

The Junior Chamber of Commerce, which met at the city hall last evening completed its organization by the election of Donald Farr as president; Martin Brandon, secretary; and Bob Fisher, treasurer. Four members of the board of directors, to which the senior chamber is to be asked to name one are Russell Brown, Marion Clayton, E. L. Anderson and T. P. Hatch.

The next meeting will be a dinner session in I. O. O. F. hall on Feb. 21, at seven o'clock. A committee from the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Portland is to be asked to attend this banquet and install the officers. The senior organization is also to be asked to have representatives at the banquet.

Russell Brown was named as chairman of the chamber's entertainment committee.

Cross-Miller

Miss Evelyn Miller, daughter of Mrs. Mannie Miller, of Lampa creek, and Cedric Cross, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cross, of the Roy district, were united in marriage at the Cavalry Evangelist Lutheran church at Marshfield last Sunday by the pastor, Rev. Geo. W. Mathiasen. Witnesses were Donald Auer and Miss Harriett Miller.

The happy couple left that afternoon for a honeymoon trip south into California.

The bride is employed in the Hooton Electric Shop here and the groom is associated with his father on the ranch.

They will return the last of this week and make their home in the Roy district.

Lil's Talk Should Have Been Heard by Everyone

Rather than give a very sketchy brief report of the splendid talk L. A. Liljeqvist made at the Lions club dinner last Thursday evening in this week's issue, the Sentinel will endeavor to give a more complete report of what he said about labor conditions in the United States, in its next issue. It's a pity that Mr. Liljeqvist has not a copy of that address which could be printed in full, for it was a talk that every man and woman in the county should hear.

To Adopt Bicycle Safety Rules

The city council Monday evening discussed the need for a bicycle ordinance in Coquille and ordered one prepared similar to the Grants Pass ordinance which is being widely copied in the state. It provides for licensing all bicycles, with certain restrictions on the part of riders and in case of violation of the rules that the bicycle be incarcerated by the police for the period of the judge's sentence.

Dogs Again to Receive Attention

The matter of dogs running at large in Coquille was before the city council at the regular session Monday evening and the city fathers promised to try and work out some plan by which the nuisance can be abated.

One idea suggested was that the city co-operate with the county in compelling payment of the state dog tax, the city providing the collector and splitting with the county the receipts of \$1 for male and \$2.50 for female licensed animals.

The subject was brought to the council's consideration by Mrs. A. B. Kirkendall and Mrs. J. A. Hannon, who stated that the north end is overrun with dogs which banish sleep at

Protests Made to Deputy Marshal Appointment

H. A. Minter Is Objected to by C. I. O. Local Unions -- Is Not Now An Officer

Communications from four C. I. O. locals' secretaries were read at the council session Monday evening protesting the appointment of H. A. Minter as a city deputy marshal. As the deputizing had already been cancelled because he had not been so named by Mayor Rankin and the appointment confirmed by the council, no further action was taken.

The appointment of Harold Kolkhorst as relief police officer when one of the three officers is on vacation or unable to attend to duty, was mentioned by Mrs. O'Connell.

Use of the Community Building by the Coquille Woman's Club for April 28, 29 and 30, the latter the date of its annual May Day dance was granted by the council. Rent of the building for the Jan. 22 "Turf Athletic Park" dance was also cancelled.

The appointment by Mayor Rankin of Mrs. Geo. H. Chaney for a four-year term on the Coquille Library board, to succeed herself, was confirmed.

The renting of garden tracts in city streets which are in the swales and unusable as thoroughfares was left in the hands of the city recorder. Several applications have already been received for this year.

The request for a street light near the intersection of Sixth and Moulton streets was referred to the light committee.

North Coulter street residents who last year paid for graveling a few blocks this way from the ball park, asked that the city run a scraper over the roadway in order that the gravel be not all lost. It has become rutted and the gravel has been thrown to one side by the traffic. The matter was left to the street committee.

A license was granted and bond approved for a card room in The Rainbow, Frank Cowan's place in the Ellingson building on Front street.

The matter of purchasing a truck-mounted street flusher which would have cost \$1200 to \$1300, was tabled for the present. Geo. Bryant and Drue Cunningham expressed themselves as opposed to spending that amount of money for equipment which would throw four men out of work when there is so much unemployment as there is now. C. T. Harrington, who had secured various bids for the flusher, stated that there was plenty of street work now needed which would keep the four men busy during the day instead of at night as the street washing with hose is now done.

Harbor Gets Us Wrong

The Coos Bay Harbor gets us wrong. The Sentinel did not say there were 20 members of the Coquille Chamber of Commerce. What we said was that of the twenty who comprise the board of directors there were seventeen present at the meeting mentioned. The total C. of C. membership in Coquille since the annual drive last month stands at 120 now with several more names to be added when the committees finish their soliciting.

Red Devils-Pirates, Feb. 15

The Marshfield Pirates, who have already lost three games to the Red Devils, will try it again next Tuesday on the Coquille Community Building floor. Two games, the first at 7:00 p. m.

night and which even break into the houses. One of the ladies remarked, "I moved into town expecting to associate with people but find I have gone to the dogs."

The city has an ordinance which will curb the annoyance prevalent all over town but until a suitable pound is secured for confining the dogs till they can be disposed of, the councilmen do not propose to run afoul of the S. P. C. A.—society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

If the city co-operates with the county in enforcing the state license law, it will quickly put an end to dogs running loose in Coquille.