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THE PAPER THAT'S LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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Fifty-Seven Admitted to Citizenship Yesterday

A Full Day Spent in Examining Applicants and Witnesses—13 Must Wait Another Year

The circuit court room and the ante rooms adjoining were as crowded yesterday as they were during the National Labor Relations Board hearing a few weeks ago.

It was Naturalization Day in circuit court when 71 petitions for citizenship were scheduled to be acted upon. Fifty-seven of them successfully passed the examination conducted by the representative of the immigration office in Portland and they will receive the coveted papers as soon as they can be made out in the clerk's office.

Of the other fourteen, some had their cases dismissed because they were shady, a few years not accompanied by the necessary two witnesses and one whose application was on file is now deceased.

Following the examinations of principals and witnesses the successful applicants were divided into groups according to nationality and were given a fine talk on what it means to be a citizen of the United States, its privileges and obligations, by Judge Jas. T. Brand.

Following is the list of those admitted to citizenship, their names being followed by the town of their present residence, and the country of their nativity:

Johannes Monsen, Bunker Hill, Norway.
Wm. Lorenzo Croy, Marshfield, Canada.
Dante Verdiani, Bunker Hill, Italy.
Lars Erickson, Marshfield, Norway.
Emma Sophie Elsie Bendschneider, Bridge, Germany.
Ernest Louis Franz Bendschneider, Bridge, Germany.
Herman Brelage, Larson Inlet, Germany.
Carl Roos, Marshfield, Finland.
Oscar Ingman, Marshfield, Finland.
Reidar Anker Moen, Marshfield, Norway.
Ruby Isabell Abrahamsen, Marshfield, Great Britain.
Sigurd Abrahamson, Marshfield, Norway.
John Emil Martin, Marshfield, Finland.
Evangeline Thomas, Marshfield, Greece.

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Matinee for Kiddies Saturday

Due to the fact that children under 16 years of age will not be permitted to attend the show at the Liberty tonight, Friday nor Saturday nights—"Lash of the Penitentes"—the management has arranged for a special kiddies' matinee at the Roxy Theatre at 1:30 Saturday. The pictures will show Gene Autry in "Springtime in the Rockies," a Popeye cartoon, and a treat will be a free bag of Alpine popcorn with each ticket.

A Youthful Logger

Yesterday noon a youngster hurrying to school, and driving a car, hit a tree six inches in diameter with his bumper and did as good a job of felling it as would a logger. Stopping the motor he jumped from the car and beat it for school, leaving the auto at the scene of the "crime." This was at the corner of First and Maple streets, where Walter Eagan resides in the O. L. Wood house.

Court of Honor for Troops Nos.

14 and 63 Next Tuesday Evening

A court of honor is to be held in the Pioneer Hall next Tuesday evening, March 1, with C. C. Farr sitting as judge and Ned C. Kelley acting as clerk. Scout Executive R. W. Doman will be present from Eugene.

Both Troops No. 14 and No. 63 will have scouts ready for appearance before the court. Of Troop No. 14, Donald Huributt and Charles Mulkey will appear for advancement to first class rating. Wayne Schroeder and George Holbrook to second class. There will also be some Scouts taking examinations for merit badge awards.

Ray C. Moley, scoutmaster of Troop No. 14, has been in charge of that troop for the past five months. When he became its scoutmaster there were only three active members, now there are thirteen.

Mrs. Belle Lowe Buried in Calif.

A. G. Thrift received word last Friday that his sister, Mrs. Belle Thrift Lowe, had passed away that morning at the home of her son, Alexander Lowe, in San Mateo, Calif. Funeral services were held on Monday and interment took place in the San Jose cemetery.

Mrs. Lowe was the daughter of that pioneer of southwestern Oregon, A. H. Thrift, who came to Curry county with the first of the white men. Mrs. Lowe was born at the Thrift ranch near Langlois in October, 1871.

Following her marriage to David Lowe, about 45 years ago, they came to Coquille where he passed away a quarter of a century ago.

Nearly twenty years ago Mrs. Lowe and her children, Alexander and Jane, now Mrs. Webb, of San Francisco, moved to California.

Besides her children and brother here she is survived by brothers and sisters, E. B. Alya, Roy and Miss Estelle, all of San Jose, and Dahlstrom, of Oakland, Calif., and Mrs. June LaColla, of Vancouver, B. C.

Tells of Entertainment at Victoria

No business was transacted at the well attended Chamber of Commerce directors session in the hotel Wednesday noon, but those present got a good idea of the way Victoria, B. C., entertains conventions held in that city, the report being given by J. E. Norton, who with Life Compton, returned Tuesday noon from the trip up there on which they left last Wednesday.

One of the unusual sights was the lighting up at night of the extended British Columbia parliament and government houses. Thousands of lights bedeck the buildings which are so illuminated only on holidays and special occasions, such as this hotel men's meeting.

Mr. Norton said he would have liked to continue the vacation into summer along the same economic lines. Before crossing from Port Angeles to Victoria they paid \$6 each for tickets which entitled them to about \$40 worth of service—ferry, lodging, meals, banquets, and all the entertainment provided for the visitors.

The party went up the coast the entire way, crossing the Columbia by ferry from Astoria, and Mr. Norton remarked that the Washington coast could never compete with the Oregon littoral as a scenic route for tourists. It just doesn't compare in any way for scenery, beaches, or highway.

President Stevens announces the appointment of R. L. Stewart and H. A. Young as Coquille's delegates to the County Chamber of Commerce meetings, H. L. Claterbos and Elbert Schroeder as alternates.

On pages 8 and 9 of this issue will be found the annual summary of taxation by Assessor J. P. Beyers. From the figures contained therein, anyone can figure just what his taxes due this year will amount to if he knows the assessed valuation of his property.

The last home game of the Coquille Red Devils, the 1938 edition, finds them playing the Roseburg Indians here Friday evening, Feb. 25, in a district conference game. When C. H. S. played Roseburg out there the Coquille team won 29 to 23.

Coos and Douglas To Ask Greater Percentage

Coos Bay Wagon Grant Timber Sales Now Net Counties \$34,000 on 25 Per Cent Basis

Last year Coos county received \$34,000 as its share of the timber sales made by the federal government from the Coos Bay Wagon Grant re-vested lands. And the present set-up only permits Coos and Douglas counties, in which the re-vested lands are situated to receive 25 per cent of the sale funds. About ten per cent of the land is in Douglas county and 90 per cent in Coos county.

But the county courts of the two counties feel that the Coos Bay Wagon Road funds should be split between the federal government and the counties on the same basis as are the O. C. timber sales—that is 90 per cent and upward to the counties.

On Monday of this week a member of the Douglas county court, its secretary and Guy Cordon, all from Roseburg, met with the Coos county court and decided to work this larger split which can only be accomplished through congressional action. At this joint session it was agreed that Mr. Cordon should go to Washington very soon to work for such a bill.

The counties will pro rate his actual expenses, but he is to receive no other compensation until the bill becomes a law and the counties begin to receive their larger share from the timber sales. And then the amount paid him will only be what each court separately feels like awarding him. There is no contract except as to expenses, and Coos county is not bound to pay him anything as a bonus or commission. Nor, according to his word to the court, will he ever ask for more than the court thinks he should receive.

One member of the Coos court is to accompany Mr. Cordon to Washington.

Loggers Sure for State League

W. H. Fortier returned last Friday from Portland, where he attended the Old Time ball players' banquet and get-together Tuesday evening.

While there he talked with officials of the Oregon State League and anticipates that when formal application is made the latter part of next month for a franchise for the Coquille Loggers that this city will be added to the circuit.

The support of baseball this year already pledged by the various civic organizations insures that the necessary funds will be raised. The committee, appointed to work with Mr. Fortier, includes Life Compton, H. L. Claterbos, Ray Jeub and Elbert Schroeder.

Accompanying Mr. Fortier on his trip to Portland were Mrs. Fortier, Mrs. Verrill McCurdy and Mrs. Vern Oederkirk.

City Warrants Called to July

The warrant call made this week by the city disposes of all warrants issued prior to July 1, 1937, and brings the financial standing of the city up to within less than eight months of being on a cash basis.

This is the first time in over ten years that the city has been this close to a pay-as-you-go standing, according to City Treasurer W. S. Sickels.

The warrants covered by the call amount to approximately \$5000.

Burns Acres Lots Selling

Perle F. Miller this week brought three lots in Burns Acres, Bobby Burns reports and he adds that he is about ready now to begin an active campaign to sell lots and tracts of this close-in subdivision. Another recent purchase is Louis Shaddwitz, who bought half an acre at the south end of the place. F. L. Arts, who bought an acre in the south end last fall, has a house on his place.

Pro-America to Hear Liljeqvist

The pro-America organization will hold a session in the Coquille city hall at 2 p. m. on Saturday, Feb. 26. L. A. Liljeqvist will address the meeting on the labor situation, and everyone, both men and women, are cordially invited to come and hear him.

Debates for Coos County High Schools Saturday

To Be Held in Marshfield City Hall—Roseburg Teams to Debate C. H. S. Here Today

Coos county's annual debate tournament will be held Saturday at the city hall in Marshfield. At that time students representing the high schools of Coquille, Myrtle Point, Marshfield and North Bend will compete for the county title. The question will again be on the adoption of a one-house legislature.

The schedule was drawn up by Supt. H. H. Hartley, of Bandon, who was appointed chairman for the season by the Coos County Schoolmasters' Club which sponsors the tournament.

At 9:15 a. m., Marshfield's affirmative team will debate the negative team from North Bend's affirmative team will meet the Marshfield negative.

Both of Coquille's debates are in the afternoon. At 1:15 p. m. Jack Martin and LaVelle Dale will defend the negative against Myrtle Point's affirmative, while at 2:45 p. m. Leonard Farr and Videlle Kelley will make up an affirmative team against North Bend's negative.

Dr. Wells, of Oregon State College, is to be critic judge for the entire day. He will announce his decisions at the close of the last debate.

As stated before these debates are to be held at the Marshfield city hall next Saturday. All friends of Coquille High are invited to attend and the admission is free. The support of all who can attend is urged.

Coquille High School is pleased to announce a series of two debates with Roseburg High at the local high school tomorrow, (Friday), afternoon at 3:30 p. m. The question will be the state question based on the adoption of a one-chambered legislature. Roseburg is bringing two teams, which will meet our two teams in successive debates, both of which will be held in the study hall of the high school.

Clarence Barton has agreed to act as critic judge for these two debates. No admission will be charged and all friends of the school are invited.

Come out and help us to show Roseburg that we welcome their debate teams with the same anticipation as their basketball teams.

Joy Norton Sings for Rotary

Miss Joy Norton, accompanied by her sister, Miss Beverly, delighted the Rotarians at their noon luncheon yesterday with two vocal solos. Joy has a most pleasing voice and her renditions are always enjoyable.

High school seniors, guests at the luncheon, were Annamæ Holverstott, Betty Sproul and Melvin Wheaton. Other guests were the Norton sisters, J. E. Norton, John Ferguson, of Marshfield, and Ralph Johnson, of Portland. E. Dunn, Marshfield Rotarian, was also present.

Faculty Dinner Last Night

The Home Economics II class served a very successful luncheon to the Coos County Superintendents and Principals' meeting which convened in the high school Tuesday. The luncheon tables were beautiful with daffodils and bowls of ivy and sixteen people were served. The entire work of preparing and serving the meal was done by the class, with the help of Miss Davey, and the girls received many compliments on their culinary skill.

An Eclipse for Bill's Place

"Globe trotters to perform black magic" is a word picture of what will happen in the Coquille Community Building next Sunday afternoon at 2:30. And Bill's Place basketball team will find that it is black magic, when the quintet meets those famous globe trotters, the world's champion colored team from Harlem whose members handle a basketball like a monkey does a peanut. Their dazzling tricks and clever ball handling will be worth seeing.

An independent basketball game, in the Coquille Community Building this (Thursday) evening, sees the Plywood basketball team meet the Bill's Place quintet.

Trespass Notices, printed on cloth, for sale at this office.

Superintendents Discuss Evaluation

Superintendents and high school principals of Coos and Curry counties were in attendance at a conference held at the Coquille High School Tuesday for a co-operative study of Secondary School Standards.

Professor F. L. Stetson, of the University of Oregon, opened the meeting with a statement in which he explained the development of a set of criteria for measuring secondary schools. Since 1932 a national study has been in progress to determine the purposes and characteristics of a good high school. During the past year Professor Stetson was released by the University of Oregon to become a member of a national committee, which established this criteria and applied it to 200 high schools in the United States.

D. A. Emerson, of the state department, directed a discussion on the application of criteria to an evaluation of actual practice in Coquille.

Supt. Burton W. Dunn made a presentation of the guiding philosophy and objectives in the administration of the Coquille schools to which an application of the criteria was made.

In evaluating schools for standardization in the past more attention has been given to the school plant, the

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Lions Hear Melvin Jones

Melvin Jones, secretary-general of the Lions International; Ira E. Snyder, of Enterprise, district governor for Oregon Lions; Ed Shea, past district governor, and E. A. Woodman, of Newport, deputy district governor, were Coquille visitors last Monday, prior to the Lions meeting in the Chandler Hotel at Marshfield that evening.

About 20 Coquille Lions and half that many from Myrtle Point attended the session in Marshfield at which Mr. Jones and others spoke on Lionism, numerically the largest service club in the United States today.

At the conclusion of the session, Mr. Jones was presented with myrtle wood pieces by each of the three Coos Lions clubs. The Coquille gift was a very handsome gavel and block, which Ray Jeub presented to him in an excellent talk, which carried the good wishes of all Lions to the founder of the organization.

Sorry we can not praise Coquille's contribution to the musical portion of the program but Bob, Jay, Ray and Dave had not given enough time to rehearsals!

Posts Sold Quickly Here

This week's Saturday Evening Post, which went on sale at the newsstands Monday was quickly bought up and within an hour the supply was exhausted and more were ordered. Buzz Holmstrom's story of his "solo" trip down the Colorado Grand Canyon is a very interesting account of the perils he encountered even though most Coquille citizens have heard it first hand from him and with an attention to detail which is not featured in a magazine.

No Bicycle Ordinance Yet Passed --- Council Talks of Dogs, Parking

The city council met in regular session Monday evening but owing to the absence of Councilmen Bryant and Cunningham, the bicycle ordinance, which was to have been acted upon, was laid over till the next regular meeting.

The dog question came up for discussion and Recorder Leslie commented on the difficulty of getting anyone to back up a complaint. He cited the instance of one woman registering a complaint in his office and insisting that she would swear out a warrant and after the officer had been sent out to notify the dog owner, she returned to the office, and said she had changed her mind as she figured she had to live in that neighborhood and would rather it would be on a peaceable basis.

Street Superintendent Dungey was authorized to dispose of the old cast iron street lighting poles and some other junk that was cluttering up the street and the lot at the city warehouse and also to install the toilet and wash stand that was budgeted for the warehouse and shops.

Attention was called to the fact that owing to the vacancy now exist-

Junior Chamber of Commerce Banquet Monday

Now Has Forty-five Members--- Good Program of Music and Addresses Heard by Fifty-One

The Junior Chamber of Commerce held its first banquet session in I. O. O. F. hall Monday evening, with 51 present, 45 of them members.

It was an enthusiastic session and if the organization maintains its present interest in the development of Coquille it will be of untold benefit to the city.

Howard Hickam acted as toastmaster, introducing those who had a place on the program.

Leonard Ensele, accompanied at the piano by his sister, Miss Gertrude, was first on the program, his vocal selection, setting the tempo for a well presented program.

Wm. Brown, of Marshfield, followed with an interesting account of his recent trip, with two others, in a small boat to the south seas.

Accompanied by his mother at the piano, Jerry Noble presented Hawaiian songs and dances to the delight of the banquetees.

H. L. Claterbos represented the Coquille Chamber of Commerce at the session. He welcomed the new organization to the ranks of civic bodies which are seeking the betterment and upbuilding of Coquille and pledged the chamber's support to the junior chamber.

Fred Brenne, secretary of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, gave the principal address of the evening, his remarks dealing with the aims and purposes of a junior chamber of commerce.

Following the installation of officers and a short business meeting, President Donald Farr appointed Kenneth Graham, Elmer Benham, Tom Thrift, Jim Robinson and Fred Coleman as a permanent membership committee.

The next meeting of the junior chamber will be held in the city hall next Wednesday evening, March 2.

Play Tryouts Held This Week

The seniors held tryouts Tuesday and Wednesday to select the cast for their annual play, which will be held this year April 8th. "Demon in the Dark," a mystery melodrama, was selected, of which more will be heard at a later date. The cast includes the following: Juniper, Ben Holverstott; Dido, Aileen Kendall; Bob, Jack Towne; Deryk, Pat McKeown; Robin, Alan Bailey; Sandra, Patricia Peart; Livvie, Jean Nye; Ethelind, Maxine Knight; Mary, Bonnie Gage; Janet, Wilda Mae Van Meter; Duncan McTavish, Jim Young.

Miss Rose Naef will coach the play, while Mrs. Osika will act as adviser in the matter of business management and Mr. Fuller will assist in the stage management.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.