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Turf But No Lights Is This Year's Program

Work on Levelling and Seeding the Park for Football Started at Seven O'Clock This Morning

Work on the leveling and turfing of Athletic Park here got under way here this morning when E. L. Vinton started surveying the field and setting grade stakes. Grading and seeding will follow as quickly as possible.

The present plan is to seed for the football field diagonally across the field about 20 feet back of second base, leaving the diamond proper to be seeded after the baseball season is over.

The decision to go ahead with the leveling and seeding of the field was made at a meeting in the city hall last Thursday evening when practically all the organizations and lodges in Coquille had responded to Carl Mack's request that representatives of the various orders attend such a meeting.

Everyone present expressed himself as in favor of the program for seeding and lighting Athletic Park, but no one thought the lighting system could be installed this year and the conclusion was that turfing, fence repair, etc., only should be attempted at this time.

Mr. Mack, chairman of the city's park commission, appointed a committee consisting of R. L. Stewart, H. L. Clasterbos, B. W. Dunn, W. H. Fortier and S. F. Stevens, to arrange for financing the project which it is estimated would cost \$300. Mr. Mack is ex-officio member of the committee.

The committee decided to finance the project by offering \$10 certificates, non-interest bearing, with payment of which not guaranteed by anyone and as quickly as they are printed they will be offered to those who hope to see Athletic Park and C. H. S. football brought out of the mud.

Retirement, or paying off of these certificates, will take place as funds for admission accumulate, payment of them being decided by a drawing after each contest, among those holding them who are in attendance at the game.

Special Notice

Pioneer Methodist Church is short the following pieces of furniture: 1 Editor, 1 Dentist, 2 Druggists, 1 Benker, 1 Doctor, 4 City Councilmen, 1 Assessor, 1 Sheriff, 1 Baker, 1 Shoemaker, 2 Merchants and other pieces of new and antique furniture too numerous to mention.

Any Coquille housewife who can help furnish the church with any of the above named articles will be substantially rewarded. Please deliver to the ushers at the main entrance at 11 a. m. Sunday.
Howard L. Graybeal, Pastor.

Red Cross Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Coos County Red Cross will be held in Coquille at 6:30 p. m., on Friday, March 18. It will be a dinner meeting at the Coquille Hotel. Officers for the county association are to be elected at that time, and a successor to Mrs. W. G. Barrow, of Marshfield, as county chairman, will be chosen. Mrs. Barrow has indicated that her resignation as chairman will be on file at that time.

The young people's organizations of the local churches met this week to plan the annual Easter sunrise services. The program will be announced in next week's Sentinel.

Nothing Like It in Oregon

A. B. Collier returned to Coquille last Friday after spending a month at Los Angeles with W. E. Marrion on Coast Oil Co. business. He says Mr. Marrion will be home in a few days.

While in the south Mr. Marrion purchased casing and equipment for the two new wells on which he expects to start drilling at once. It is now on the way by boat from San Pedro to Marshfield.

Mr. Collier was in Los Angeles during a very heavy rain—not the damaging storm of ten days ago—at one of the busiest intersections in Los Angeles, where the water was a foot or two deep in the streets. He was laughing at the various exhibitions caused by the high water.

"What are you laughing at?" queried a bystander.

"I'm from Oregon but I never saw anything like this in the Coquille man."

"I haven't either," was the other's reply, "I'm from Washington."

Testing Hearing of School Children

The state board of health sent in to Coos county this week an audiometer, an instrument used for testing the hearing of children. Miss Pauline Keller, a nurse, brought the equipment in from Salem and yesterday and today was using it in the Coquille schools, the pupils in the fourth to eighth grades included having their hearing tested. The instrument tells not only whether there is a defect in hearing but also the percentage it is below normal.

Parents bringing their children to any of the schools listed below where the audiometer is to be used are informed that the hour set by Miss Keller for them must be observed. They can just as well be a day late as five minutes past the time set.

The tests will be made at the Powers and Etaloka schools tomorrow (Friday), and at Bridge, Remole and Bancroft the same day. Next Monday she will be at the Myrtle Point junior high and at all the neighboring schools. Bandon and neighboring schools will be visited next Tuesday, March 15.

Seattle Cleans House

Seattle is in the mood to retire Dave Beck from control of its city affairs. Last month Beck's tool, Mayor Dore, was defeated at the primaries and Tuesday of this week A. B. Langlie was elected mayor by 30,000 over his opponent, Vic Meyers, whom Beck was supporting. The way of the racketeer is becoming more difficult in the northwest.

Coos Democrats Lose

Coos county's older and younger democratic candidates lost out in the attempt to secure appointment as collector of customs for Oregon. According to this morning's daily press, Senator Reames has recommended the appointment of County Judge Fred Fish, of Lane county. Judge Hugh McLain and Geo. Kronenberg were the Coos county aspirants.

"The Girls' Club"

The "Girls' Club," conducted by Marjorie Knight and Nellie Schafer, will meet March 11th at 7:00 o'clock in the Community Hall. Exercise drills are the main purpose of the club. Membership cards are available to all ladies interested. Cards may be purchased at the Tip Top confectionery or at the hall. Membership rate is 50c per month, regardless of attendance.

State Superintendent of Schools Attends Splendid Meeting at Valley View

Approximately 60 directors and clerks attended the meeting for school officers at Valley View School on Monday. State Superintendent Rex Putnam and Dr. V. D. Bain, of the state department of education, were the out-of-county speakers.

Mr. Putnam explained the plan of the state department of education in attempting more nearly to help elementary schools, especially rural schools. The plan, which is being used in Coos county, is the plan which they hope to carry throughout the state, namely: the visit of V. D. Bain, who is head of the elementary education, to as many of the rural

situations as possible, and a follow-up meeting with the school boards.

Coos county is the first county to have the privilege of one of these school officers' meetings under the new plan.

Mr. Putnam spoke to the directors and clerks as to the work of the teacher, emphasizing that above everything boards must realize "teachers are people." He said that a great deal of nervous strain could be prevented by preventing children from arriving at too early an hour and beginning school at too early an age.

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Crowd Disappointed at No Fireworks at Council Session Monday

The council chamber was filled last Monday evening to hear what was evidently anticipated as a very heated session of the city fathers when they received the request of the Chamber of Commerce committee that noise after midnight, especially Saturday night, be abated.

Some of the Eagle members had heard rumors that the city was to be asked to cancel their license for Saturday night dances, but nothing of that kind had been considered by the committee.

J. L. Smith told of some wakeful nights he had experienced when young people whooped and yelled at a very early morning hour on the Washington school grounds.

J. E. Norton said that the committee had no thought of trying to regulate the noise at all, but did believe that after midnight the blowing of horns and yelling on the streets should be stopped.

J. A. Lamb stated that the quietness last Saturday night showed what could be done and told of the annoyance he had endured when young men got to fighting under his bedroom window. He told that the noise and hoodlumism had been a weekly occurrence for the past year and speaking for himself added: "You can't get out and kick them in the stern because you aren't big enough."

Chief Lewis English stated that the police "had it coming," that there had been too much nocturnal disturbance but that the officers could and would put a stop to it and the

council requested that the officers do so.

It was also suggested that the recorder write to the CCC camp commanders to ascertain if the young men from the two camps cannot be kept as orderly in Coquille as they have been in camp.

Frank Ball, chairman of the Eagles dance committee, asked that the city renew its contract for another year with the Eagles for Saturday night dances in the Community Building. He did not want to include such dates in the Eagles' program as are used by the Coquille Woman's Club or the American Legion.

The council approved the Chamber of Commerce request that Greyhound buses be permitted to enter and leave town on Taylor street and that the buses did not stop and double park, creating a traffic hazard.

Lot 7 of block 2 in Elliott's Addition was sold to John S. Sanders for \$38.19, the amount the city has invested in it. The lot is in the gulch near the Spurgeon Hill bridge.

The council will consider at its next session the request of Jack Broshars for the Coos Humane Society that the society be permitted to handle the city's dog problem.

At the suggestion of the "Turf Athletic Park" committee the council agreed that delinquent water users be permitted to work out their water bills, the so-called "baby bonds" being turned over to the city for cashing when called.

New Bicycle Ordinance

A bicycle ordinance, similar to the model ordinance originating in Grants Pass, was adopted by the council Monday evening. Riding on the sidewalk, except to deliver packages or papers, is forbidden; bicycles must be registered with and licensed by the police department; they must have head and rear lights visible for 300 feet after dark and two riders on a bicycle is forbidden. The fee for registering is 25 cents, and bicycle riders must take a driving examination. Dealers must also furnish police with record of all bicycles bought or sold.

Violation of any of the provisions of the ordinance will result in the recorder impounding the bicycle for the length of time he judges the offense warrants.

It behooves the riders of bicycles to consult the police department and learn all there is to know about the new ordinance.

\$150 Fire Damage Friday

The fire department was called last Friday evening, about five o'clock, to the W. E. Hall home, east of the Geo. Chaney residence. The fire started in the bed room, on the bed, but who was responsible for it is not known. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Hall had been in the house since the Sunday before, but were staying at her parents' home on Spurgeon Hill.

The structure was a 10x32 building and the department saved that, although \$150 damage to the contents is the estimate of Chief Schram.

League of Cities to Meet

Coquille city officials have been invited to attend a meeting of the League of Oregon Cities which will be held in Marshfield next Monday, starting with a luncheon at noon. These meetings are important to every city for detailed plans are worked out at them for securing needed legislation and for a co-operative treatment of problems which affect every city and town. Several of Coquille's councilmen and officials declared their intention to attend.

To Teach Again at Lee

The Lee school board on Friday contracted with their present teacher, Miss Clair Booth, of Myrtle Point, for another year in that school. Miss Booth is just completing her third year in the Lee school and the board is glad to assure the patrons of the school of the continued service of Miss Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Ulett and Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Emery left Tuesday for Elgin in northeast Oregon to look at a wood-working plant there. They expect to be home again in a day or two.

County Jail Receives Them

Jack Groves, a 22-year old young man from Brewster valley, was lodged in jail last evening by Sheriff Howell. He is accused of taking a gun from the Train Apartments here and selling it in Marshfield. He is reported to have confessed.

Other county jail arrivals were: Matt Jorgenson, Saturday, who received a ten-day sentence by Justice Bolt at Marshfield for being drunk and disorderly.

Robely W. Pomeroy, Saturday, at Marshfield, given 60 days for vagrancy. He is to be released in ten days if he will leave the county.

Kenneth G. Simmerman, for defrauding an innkeeper at North Bend, was brought over Monday to serve out a \$25 fine.

Roy Edward Zimmerman, fined \$100 and given ten days in jail for bringing over from Marshfield on Monday.

Nelson Geer, on an assault and battery conviction at Marshfield, was brought over Monday to serve a \$25 fine.

Three Sentenced for Non-Support

Three men, indicted by the grand jury on non-support charges, pleaded guilty in circuit court on Monday. Alfred Lawrence Scott and Stephen Gibbs were sentenced to 90 days in jail. Execution of sentence was suspended and they were paroled on condition that they go to work and support their families.

The same sentence was given Reldon Smith, his parole being contingent on his paying \$10 a month to the county clerk for support of his minor child.

The jury found no cause for action in the case of Elbert Reeves, who was suing the State Industrial Accident Commission. He was seeking continued support from the commission but the condition of his health was no different last year than it was a year previously when the commission ended his support.

Arago Man Passes

The body of Robert Bloom Goeldner, who died at his home at Arago last Saturday after an illness of two weeks, was taken to Lafayette, Oregon, for burial by Brewer Mills of the Gano Funeral Home. Services were held at the Christian church in Myrtle Point at 9 a. m. Tuesday, Rev. Mr. White officiating.

Deceased was born in Iowa, March 1, 1859, and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ottila Goeldner; a son, Harold, of Arago, and a daughter; Mrs. Pauline Kennedy, who came up from her home in Oakland, Calif., to help care for her father during his last illness.

Several Get Tags at Fire

Motorists who rushed to the fire last Saturday afternoon, some even getting in between the two fire trucks, received tickets from the police. They ganged up on the Henry street bridge, parked too close to the hydrant where connection was made.

It's a violation of the city ordinance to follow a fire truck too closely and the jam interfered with the work of the fire boys in laying the line.

Is Flying Chinese Plane

Vic Rice, who was proprietor of the Basket Grocery here a few years ago, has been flying a Chinese bombing plane in the China-Jap war for some months, according to the statement of his mother made to Stanley Buell recently at Roseburg.

Arago High School Wins at the Ashland Basketball Tournament

The Arago basket ball team returned from Ashland Sunday in possession of a beautiful cup awarded to them as winners of the championship of the Presidents' cup division at the Ashland tournament. Seventeen teams from eight counties were competing. The Arago team played their first game Thursday afternoon against a Southern Oregon Normal school team, the Normal team substituting for Sisters, which failed to arrive. Friday morning Arago had no trouble defeating Days Creek 33 to 12, but Friday evening they were barely able to win over the strong Glendale team, 12 to 11. In the

Brooks Pointer Buried Last Saturday

Had Been a Resident of the Coquille Valley Since 1890—Leaves Widow and 8 Children

J. B. Pointer, for the past 45 years a resident of Coquille, passed away at his home south of Spurgeon Hill last Thursday evening. He had been suffering with an incurable malady since last August.

Funeral services were conducted at the Schroeder Bros.' chapel at two o'clock last Saturday afternoon by Rev. G. A. Gray. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Joseph Brooks Pointer was born at Aullville, Lafayette county, Missouri, Nov. 10, 1890, and was three months and 23 days past 69 years of age at the time of his passing.

He came to Coos county in 1890, first settling across the highway from the John Yoakam ranch between Coquille and Coaledo, but after three of four years there, he moved to Coquille, where he conducted a livery stable for many years where Mike's Implement House is, until the automobile put the livery stables out of business.

He was married at Coaledo to Miss Ida Mae Hanscom, Nov. 1, 1893. She survives him as do the following children, all of whom were here at the time of his death, except his son in Alaska: Marshall Pointer, Wrangell, Alaska; Ralph, of Myrtle Point; Howard and Jack, of Coquille; Mrs. Jessie Campbell, of Victoria, B. C.; Mrs. Hilda Parrott, of Sacramento; Mrs. Jean Thoen, of Portland, and Mrs. Patricia Nicoll, of Toledo, Ore. He is also survived by three brothers, Thos. R. Pointer, of Coquille, two who reside in Missouri, and by several grandchildren.

Brooks Pointer was a genial man, one who had many friends and his passing brought sadness to them all.

Film Classic Revival at The Liberty

The Liberty Theatre this week-end starts a new program which should be a real treat for Coquille theatre goers who have enjoyed certain pictures in recent years. Many of the best are to be reshown on a double bill, along with a major first run new picture.

This evening, tomorrow and Saturday, the best Will Rogers picture ever made, George Ade's "The Count" (Continued Page Eight)

Ask Fire Helmet Return

Three weeks ago when the fire department answered a call on East Third street, Thursday noon, a helmet was lost from the truck. A lady picked it up and placed it on the curb but when the fire truck returned it was gone. Whoever removed it from the curb is requested to return it to the fire hall.

Asks Explicit Fire Location

Fire Chief Frank Schram makes an urgent request that anyone phoning a fire call to central be more explicit as to the exact location of the fire. It will enable the department to respond more promptly when half minutes may mean much additional loss.

Dr. M. Earl Wilson left for Portland Sunday for several days, expecting to return Thursday.