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City Election Holds Interest As Three Caucuses Place Tickets

Dr. Ralph F. Milne And Frank G. Leslie Unanimous Choice For Mayor And Recorder Posts

Dr. R. F. Milne was the unanimous choice for mayor of Coquille at the three caucuses held this week, one the regular city caucus in the Community Building Monday evening, and the other two held Tuesday evening.

Frank G. Leslie, for city recorder for a two years term beginning Jan. 1, was also the unanimous choice of all caucuses.

T. S. Harrington, for the two-year term on the council, and Everett Seesley, Geo. W. Bryant and Dr. Jas. Richmond were the nominees for the four-year terms at the Monday assembly of voters.

Present when City Attorney Barton called the meeting to order, read the caucus call, and appointed O. L. Wood as temporary secretary.

Nominations for chairman were called for the result of the balloting for that office was O. C. Sanford 86, Walter Oerding 75.

For secretary of the caucus, W. S. Sicksels received 81 votes and Art Pulford 85.

Chairman Sanford's call for nominations for mayor brought Ray Jeub to his feet with a statement as to Dr. Ralph F. Milne's eminent qualifications for the office of mayor, his experience and his Scotch ancestry which was assurance that the city would not go on a spending spree with Dr. Milne as the city's chief executive.

No other names were presented and he was declared to be the nominee.

The name of Frank G. Leslie for city recorder was presented by J. A. Berg, who referred to Mr. Leslie's experience in the office for years as making him the logical candidate to succeed himself. His efficiency in handling the multifarious duties of the office could not be improved upon. His nomination was unanimous vote.

For the two-year term on the council, to fill the vacancy caused by E. D. Webb's resignation, and which post has been filled by Dr. Milne the past year, Harry L. Claterbos placed Muri F. Pettit's name before the caucus and Henry Belloni that of T. S. Harrington.

Tellers appointed by the chair were Mr. Claterbos, Lefe Compton, C. A. Barton and W. F. Oerding.

The result of the balloting showed a very close race, Harrington receiving 91 votes and Pettit 88.

For the four-year term as councilman, three to be elected, the names of eight well known citizens were presented. The ballot count showed the following results:

Everett Seesley, 96.
Geo. W. Bryant, 82.
Dr. Jas. Richmond, 84.
Geo. W. Swinney, 81.
Geo. W. Taylor, 69.
M. F. Pettit, 68.
Fred Jensen, 45.
A. O. Walker, 28.

A committee consisting of H. A. Young, D. E. Rackliff and H. L. Claterbos was appointed with authority to fill any vacancies which might occur, and the caucus adjourned.

Another caucus was held Tuesday evening which was attended by 80 voters who desired the opportunity to support other candidates than those nominated the evening before.

J. A. Berg acted as chairman of this caucus and R. A. Jeub as secretary.

Only candidates for positions on the council were named, the list being M. F. Pettit for the two years term, Geo. W. Bryant, Geo. W. Taylor and Fred Jensen, for the four-year term.

Their names were duly certified to the recorder yesterday and will appear on the ballot at the November election.

Still another caucus was held that evening, 35 or 40 being present to place in nomination Geo. G. Swinney for a four-year term on the council.

As yesterday was the last day on which city candidates can be certified to the county clerk for the Nov. 8 election, the list of Coquille city candidates among whom the voters will make a choice is as follows:

Mayor—Dr. R. F. Milne.
Recorder—F. G. Leslie.
Council, two years—M. F. Pettit, T. S. Harrington.

Council four years—Geo. W. Bryant, Geo. W. Taylor, Fred Jensen, Everett Seesley, Dr. J. E. Richmond, Geo. W. Swinney.

Banker Praises For Smith Plant Progress

Arnold Groth, of the First National Bank of Portland, was a guest at the Rotary Club luncheon Wednesday and gave a most interesting talk on "The Outlook for Business."

Beginning his talk with some very commendatory remarks on the progress and development of the Smith Wood-Products plant, Mr. Groth gave some very pertinent reasons why business should continue on the upturn unless complicated by the event of war in Europe.

He also stressed the fact that the Wagner act needed some very vital revisions for the benefit of both labor and business.

President Turney appointed the secretary as a committee of one to meet with the other civic and fraternal organizations at the city hall Thursday to arrange for distribution of Christmas baskets this winter and to avoid duplication.

It was decided to invite the Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce to participate in the meeting next Wednesday when Congressman Mott will be present.

Other guests present were Rotarian J. T. Wilson, of Portland, father of Dr. M. Earl Wilson of Coquille; also Oliver C. Sanford, Geo. A. Ulett, R. A. Jeub and Lefe Compton, of Coquille, and Chas. Schroeder, of Bandon.

Fat Elk Duck Club

The Fat Elk Duck Club held its annual session last evening and re-elected Alton Grimes as president, L. L. Bonney as secretary-treasurer.

The club has a lease on the hunting privileges of all the Russ lands along the river.

The Chinese pheasant season which opens Saturday of this week will be open for only ten days.

Dike Dance Slated On Project Finish

A big dance at the Community Building has been scheduled for October 12th at which time the occasion of the completion of the Bandon-Coquille dike will be celebrated by the employees who have been working on the dike since construction first began last May.

The celebration dance will be the occasion of the finish of the big cut on the other side of Fat Elk creek, where the biggest part of the dike dirt has been secured.

Pat Hays and his Swing Kings will furnish music for the dance which promises to be one of the largest and best special features held in these parts.

Burns Acres Tracts Selling

Harry Wise last Monday was the first purchaser of a lot in the restricted district of Burns Acres, his purchase being a lot 50x125 feet, on Cunningham Drive. He intends getting the foundation for his home there laid this fall and will build in the spring.

Other recent purchasers of lots in Burns Acres are Cecil Snyder, who bought 1.6 acres and is now clearing a lot preparatory to building; Ed Rust, who expects to build on his lot on Tenth street; and Keneth Nevin, who has started a house on the tract he bought facing the highway near the Cunningham logging road.

Property To Be Sold Unless Assessments Are Met

Recorder F. G. Leslie informs the Sentinel that next Monday, Oct. 3, is the last day on which property owners can bond for the Eleventh street sewer improvement, and the property of those who have not bonded or paid their assessment will be sold after that date.

Plot To "Spring" Crews Is Caught

Wallace Crews, sought by the state police and other officers since the night of Aug. 31 when he, with James Wayne and Robert Bowens, robbed O. C. Shindler at Bandon of \$245, was arrested in Portland last Saturday by officers of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sergeant Eric Tucker, who went up to Portland to bring Crews back, said he had no information as to the circumstances connected with Crews' arrest.

The latter was taken before Justice Maybee at North Bend, Monday, where he was bound over to the grand jury, charged with robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon, and is now confined in the county jail here, his bond being set at \$15,000.

Learning of a plot to "spring" the three robbers from the Bandon county jail for substituting the list of the week.

All three will be on trial for their crime at the October term of court here.

Planning For Christmas Baskets

Every civic and fraternal organization in Coquille, every church and social club, is invited and requested to have a representative at a meeting to be held in the city hall next Wednesday evening at 7:30 when arrangements will be started for preparing Christmas baskets.

The Eagles lodge has initiated the idea of every society, lodge, and other organization here, co-operating in giving a dance in the Community Building on Saturday, Dec. 10, to provide the funds and the Eagles secretary, Fred Bull, has called the meeting.

It is a most worthy cause, and the co-operation of all such organizations will prevent duplication of effort which has often resulted in some being left out when the baskets were distributed while others received two or more.

It is hoped that by so united an effort several hundred dollars can be raised for providing the needy with well filled baskets at Christmas time.

Coos Relief Budget Set

At the meeting of the county Relief committee, held at Marshfield Tuesday, the relief budget for 1939 was adopted, the figures given being the county's share of one-third of the estimated cost, the other two-thirds being provided by the federal government.

Aid to dependent children, \$16,500, with a total estimated cost of \$50,440.

Old age assistance \$40,000, the total estimated cost being \$160,890.

Blind assistance \$1200; total estimate \$4788.

General assistance \$42,500, which is matchable by the state relief committee which has been providing 65 per cent to the county's 35 per cent.

Journal's Bargain Days

Bargain days are on with the Oregon Journal and the Sentinel is authorized to accept subscriptions for that publication at \$10 a year for both daily and Sunday, and at \$5 for the daily only.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Negotiations completed the past week have connected William MacKnight, a publisher of the Coquille Tribune for the past year, with the Coquille Valley Sentinel, with which publication he will affiliate as advertising manager effective October 1st and as an associate publisher of the Sentinel with H. A. Young and Marian D. Grimes.

The Tribune will be continued as an independent publication and the entire plant will be maintained as usual.

It is expected, however, that the Sentinel which has served the public and the merchants of the Coquille valley since 1904 will be developed and promoted into the leading paper of the valley and there will be a concerted effort on the part of the owners to make it the most widely read, largest and most interesting publication in southwestern Oregon.

The Coos County Buyers Guide will be continued as an advertising medium to be published in connection

Bonds For New Grade School Building Voted

Taxpayers by 4 1/2 to 1 Vote Approve \$41,250 Issue For A Grade Building To Cost \$75,000

Taxpayers of Coquille school district No. 2, by a vote of 89 to 20, approved the bond issue, totalling \$41,250 for the construction of the proposed new grade school building Tuesday afternoon at the special election called for that purpose.

The new school building will be built by aid of the Public Works Administration, which branch of the federal aid program will provide \$33,750 as its share of the cost of the \$75,000 school building.

Approval of government's 65 per cent is not actually definite, the passage of the bond election here was necessary before the project could be forwarded from the Portland office of the PWA. Virtually every grant the state office recommends now is accepted and on this theory the bond approval by the taxpayers is tantamount to an outright grant by the government.

According to Keith Leslie, clerk of the board, the vote results will be referred to the state PWA office this week and it will be only a short time before approval can be expected on the building program and the board will then proceed with the construction of the new building which will be on the Washington school grounds and in front of the present building, enabling school attendance in the old structure during course of construction and in the coming winter months. It is questionable whether the building would be ready before spring at the earliest and should weather interfere, the building might not be ready for use before next fall.

The election was held at the high school Tuesday afternoon. Judges were Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. Stewart Norton, and Mrs. Keith Leslie, with Mrs. R. T. Slater as clerk.

Christmas Baskets To Be Planned

All business men, professional men and employers in Coquille and vicinity are invited to attend a dinner meeting in the Coquille Hotel next Monday evening, Oct. 3, at 6:30 when five or six representatives from state headquarters in Salem of the Associated Employers Association, will be present to explain in detail the aims and purposes of the association and go into thoroughly the provisions of the Associated Farmers labor bill, which will be on the ballot at the November election.

Every employer in Coquille should make it a point to reserve that evening and be out to learn what the purpose of the organization is.

Logger Injured At Dora

Richard Cox, 23, was brought to the Coquille Hospital Tuesday, suffering from concussion and bruises. He was caught between two rolling logs but fortunately suffered no fracture of his skull.

The Red Devils-Pirate games here Saturday should be a torrid contest—Spike vs. Fred.

Oct. 8 Last Day To Register

Only eight days remain for voters to register at the clerk's office here to participate in the general election on November 8th, according to L. W. Oddy.

In order to vote at the November election it is necessary for every voter to have lived in the precinct for which he or she registers for a period of 30 days. Every precinct resident is allowed to register, regardless of the length of time he has lived there as the closing date gives just 30 days for residence. Out of state residents have to reside in the state six months before registering.

Remember, there are only eight days to register. Check your name on the registration books and be sure that you will be able to vote at the coming election.

Coos Exhibits Taken To P. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hampton left Wednesday morning for Portland, taking with them the Coos county exhibit for the Pacific International Stock show, which opens there Saturday.

The display will largely feature cheese made in Coos county, with the wording, "King of the Cheese Empire," as the center of the display.

As embellishments for the exhibit there will be oysters, packed on Coos Bay, and several boxes of large cranberries, chosen from the E. D. Webb bog near Bandon.

Mr. Hampton says all indications point to the best display and the best entertainment features ever shown at the P. I. for this year.

No Clemency For Drunken Drivers

Motorists convicted under Oregon's drunken driver law can no longer look to executive clemency to pave the way for restoration of their drivers' license. Attorney General Van Winkle this week advised Governor Martin that a pardon does not waive the necessity for filing proof of financial responsibility before the offender may again operate a motor vehicle. Eighteen motorists whose licenses have been restored following the extension of executive clemency, face the prospect of having their permits revoked under his new ruling.

Praises Thornton Process

W. E. Foreman, a rubber jobber from Oakland, Calif., who was just returning home from a tour of the Pacific coast, called at the Thornton Tire Service shop on Front street here Tuesday morning. After looking at the work Jack Dean is doing in the tire recap and retread department, the visitor said that the Coquille shop was putting more rubber on their building up of used tires, making them thicker and also doing a better job of recapping than any other shop on the coast is doing. None of Mr. Foreman's criticism seemed to offend Mr. Dean in the least!

To Move His Fixit Shop

Soon after the first of October Harry Wise expects to move his Fixit shop from its present location in the Paulson building on Front street to the Price house just north of Fourth street, facing on the highway, for which he has just made a deal.

Auto repair work is one of his specialties, but he also has a machine shop on a small scale and is making a variety of small articles for sale, one a very handy weed grubber. He also has plans for construction of a machine to turn out small myrtlewood novelties.

New Dress Shop Will Open Next Wednesday

Announcement was made this week that the new dress shop to open in the Coquille Hotel building, under the proprietorship of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Young, formerly of Idaho, would be ready by October 5th.

The new business owners plan to carry an exclusive line of clothing for ladies and will have some of the finest stock. Special fixtures and new methods of merchandising are featured in the new enterprise.

Annual Library Meeting Hears Miss Harriet Long

Librarians Report Growing Interest in Library Service--Two New Ones Organized Past Year

At the annual meeting of the Coos County Library Association held last Saturday in Marshfield, seven public libraries were represented, including the two newly organized institutions, located at Bridge and Empire.

Reports were given by the librarians. The North Bend room has been moved into a large and more suitable location. Marshfield reported an increase of 5,000 in circulation and progress in all other phases of the library work.

Miss Harriet Long, state librarian, told of the work being carried on there. Although still in temporary quarters, Miss Henry is assisted by two WPA workers. She told of a gift of two pictures and a check presented to her by the Bandon folks in recognition of her 25 years of service in the library. Myrtle Point has added indirect lighting for the reading room and is planning, with the city council for an enlarged room.

Mrs. Pearl Ellingsen reported the excellent work of the local book committee, composed of Mrs. Geo. H. Chaney, representing the Library board; Mrs. Ray Jeub, representative of the Coquille Woman's Club; Mrs. Bertha J. Smith, who acts as the Business and Professional Women; Dr. T. De La Rhus, for the Rotary Club, and Wm. MacKnight of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. This group keeps in touch with the needs of the library, reviewing the books and working with their respective organizations to supply the wants of the reading public.

Miss Harriet Long, state librarian, brought the blue prints of the new library to be erected in Bandon, describing most interestingly the various rooms and their uses. The theme of her advice to librarians was to use the WPA help to the greatest advantage and to work out, if possible, more rural service through the WPA. Round table discussions followed her talk.

Pro America Hears Mrs. Moorhead

At a meeting of the Coos County Pro-America Club here Saturday afternoon plans were made for a benefice card party to be given at the home of Mrs. R. A. Wernich, Saturday night, Oct. 1st, under the direction of Mrs. Weldon Kline, president of the group, and Mrs. Albert Powers, Jr. The party, to which the public is invited, will commemorate the birthday of the organization, with county units throughout the state. The local group has been organized for three years, and at present has a paid membership of fifty.

The guest speaker of the meeting Saturday was Mrs. George Moorhead, of Salem, who is devoting her entire time to campaigning for Sprague for governor. Mrs. Moorhead is well known in Coquille, having lived here a decade ago when her husband was a member of the local high school faculty. She is an active party worker, as well as a life-long personal friend of Mr. Sprague.

Prior to the meeting Mrs. O. C. Sanford entertained a few friends at luncheon in honor of Mrs. Moorhead. About a luncheon table, beautiful with fall flowers, the following ladies gathered: Mesdames Weldon Kline, Geo. Chaney, R. A. Wernich, Albert Powers, the hostess and the guest of honor.

New Mechanic At Bosworth's

John Fisher, of Grants Pass, will have charge of the parts department of Bosworth Motor company here, according to an announcement from Lanis Bosworth, owner.

Mr. Fisher comes highly recommended from Grants Pass in this work and will take the place made vacant by resignation of Carl Towle recently.

The Coquille Grange will have a Homecoming meeting October 14 in addition to the regular meeting. A negro minstrel, "Show Boat," will be presented by the local grange. Refreshments will be served.