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Ranchers Ask Council For Creek Water

An unusually protracted session of the city council was held Monday evening, there being many matters coming before the city dads and the reading of five and one-quarter pages of previous meetings' minutes required some time.

Levi Bunch and John Bullack were present to state the case of the Rink creek ranchers who have no water for stock or irrigation due to the city's need for the entire supply of the creek during the summer season. They believe they have priority rights there which require the city to permit a portion of the supply to run down the creek.

Those who have read the council proceedings as disclosed by the minutes are of the opinion that the then owners of land along the creek sold all their rights and interest in Rink creek to the city at that time.

The council took no action on the ranchers' requests, the whole matter (Continued Page Eight)

Lee Hand Attends Sister's Funeral Monday

Lee Hand returned Tuesday morning from Whittier, Calif., where he was called last Thursday by the sudden death of his sister, Marie—Mrs. O. W. Painter. Heart trouble took her from life with no one present at the time of her demise. Funeral services and interment took place at Whittier Monday afternoon.

The Painters had gone to Whittier in June from Marshfield to visit her sister and decided to locate there. They left Coquille about three years ago.

Besides her husband and their eight-year old daughter she is survived by her father, E. V. Hand, of Coquille; one sister, Mrs. Hazel Layton, of Whittier; and three brothers, Lee, of Coquille, B. S. Hand, of Erick, Okla., and W. D. Hand, of Buena Park, Calif.

Junior Group To Take Boat Up Rogue

Members of the Coquille Junior chamber of commerce will take the trip up the Rogue river from Gold Beach to Agnes Sunday, August 13, according to plans formulated at the regular meeting last week.

Dee Richardson is in charge of the trip arrangements and it is expected that every member of the organization besides many guests will comprise the personnel to make the journey. Members interested in making the trip are urged to make arrangements with Richardson.

Democratic Picnic At Florence Aug. 13

A picnic for democrats of the first congressional district will be held at Florence Sunday, August 13, according to Clarence Barton, president of the Junior Democratic club of this county.

Party members and friends are invited to attend this event this Sunday as prominent speakers will be present to address the gathering.

Former Sentinel Owner Visits In Coquille

J. Claude Savage, proprietor and publisher of the Coquille Valley Sentinel more than a quarter of a century ago—he sold it to Lew A. Cates in January, 1913—came up from San Francisco last week to visit his three children, Mrs. Benj. Payne and Calvin Savage, of Coquille, and Pat, of Marshfield. Claude is now a proof reader on the San Francisco Chronicle. He was laid up for some time recently when he slipped on a wet sidewalk in the Golden Gate city and fractured a bone in his hip.

Banker's Brother Visits Here

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Clatterbos and her sister, of Vancouver, Wash., arrived here Tuesday evening, spent a day at the home of his brother, Harry L. Clatterbos, and left for home last evening. The visiting brother is with the New York Equitable and he and Mrs. Clatterbos have been on a trip to New York for the diamond anniversary of that insurance company. It was their little girl who wandered down to the Smith plant with the Dornath little girl a few weeks ago and were missing for a couple of hours.

Sprinkling Only Three Days A Week

Sprinkling hours for Coquille have been limited by city council orders, made Monday night to Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week, between 5 and 8 p. m. The new regulations went into effect at once.

The need for limiting the amount of water which can be used for sprinkling was seen in S. V. Epperson's report to the council that more water is being used this year than ever before and that the level in the big reservoir is dropping rapidly.

Due to work on the dam there was not as large an accumulation in the reservoir this spring as will be possible next year when several million more gallon can be stored.

Coquille High Band To Play At Fair, Sept. 15

Supt. B. W. Dunn has received word that the Coquille high school band will play at the county fair again this year, the day of their appearance being Friday, Sept. 15. The Myrtle Point band will play on Thursday and Marshfield on Saturday as last year.

Mr. Dunn states that Miss Anita Pageler will be here two weeks before school starts, on Aug. 21, to begin rehearsals and that all members of last year's high school band and all of the Junior Hi band who are sufficiently advanced will begin rehearsing on Aug. 21.

Gas Rate Being Cut In Coquille

The Coquille Gas & Power Company announces that a new low gas heating schedule has been approved by the Public Utilities commission of Oregon, and will go into effect on the 21st day of this month.

This rate will permit the installation of major house heating equipment in the homes of Coquille, and will fill a long felt need of the citizens of this town.

Under this new schedule it will be possible for a home owner to install a complete air conditioning furnace, and have his home automatically heated at a lower cost than other competitive fuels.

This rate reduction is in line with the gas company's policy of always giving the citizens of Coquille, heating, cooking and water heating rates by which they can receive the most for their money.

Yakima Octogenarian Suffers Attack Here

W. G. Steiweg, 86, a retired banker from Yakima, Wash., was taken ill here Tuesday evening and the Schroeder Bros. Mortuaries ambulance was engaged to take him back to Yakima. With Mr. and Mrs. L. Wharton, he was on his way to the fair at San Francisco but the trip was proving too much for him. Mrs. Wharton returned to Yakima with the ambulance also.

Past Matrons And Patrons' Picnic To Be Held Sunday

The Past Matrons and Patrons Club of Beulah chapter No. 6, O. E. S., will hold its annual picnic at La Verne park on the North Fork next Sunday, Aug. 13. All members and their families are invited. A picnic lunch should be taken by those attending; coffee, cream and sugar will be provided by the committee.

Back to Camp

Three Boy Scouts who were brought home a couple of weeks ago from the Lucky Boy camp on Blue river, when the fire got bad around there and the camp was needed for fire fighters, were taken out for two more weeks of camp last Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ulett. They were Gerald Ulett, Wade Cowan and Harold Welch.

Stamp Note: It is a dull day in philately when the Post Office Department isn't thinking up something new for the stamp collectors. The indefatigable thinker-uppers in that department can turn out new picture ideas for stamps faster than the Bureau of Engraving can produce the finished product. The P. O. officials are about to release 35 new stamps, honoring great Americans in the arts and sciences.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

National Labor Relations Board Makes Order Impossible Of Fulfillment

After Waiting A Year And A Half Orders C. I. O. Striking Employees Reinstated And Back Wages Paid

Two cases, known as C-405 and C-875 are tied together by the National Labor Relations Board's proposed findings of fact, proposed conclusions of law, and proposed order which, if put into effect, will mean the re-instatement of 87 men and women by Smith Wood-Products, Inc., and the payment of back wages for about twenty months, from the time they went out on strike until the NLRB proposed order is complied with.

Case No. C-405 is the so-called sawmill case which involves 85 C. I. O. union members who went out on strike.

C-875 involves complaint made by five men at the same time as the other complaint was made but goes back to the strike in August, 1936, and the second strike in September, 1937. The complaint was filed some time later and the hearing was held early last year.

In the five men case the board proposes to dismiss the complaints of three of them, but upholds the unfair labor practice charge in the case of the other two, one of whom was employed in the first place on a temporary job. But the board proposes to have the company put them back to work and pay them for the time that they have been out of the company's employ.

In the other case the chief contention of the striking employees was that Smith Wood-Products refused to bargain with the C. I. O. union which claimed it had a majority and were therefore entitled to be considered the bargaining agency.

And here comes the peculiar feature of the board's proposed rulings. It finds that the A. F. of L. did actually have a majority membership of the plant and was therefore the bargaining agency. But it goes further by proposing to find that there were unfair labor practices on the part of the company because these striking C. I. O. employees were not taken back to work and the board proposes to order now that the company reinstate these 85 men and women and pay them back wages.

The company may now, by its attorneys or officials, appear before the NLRB in Washington and ask that the proposed order be changed. If the board refuses to do that, and the company refuses to obey the order, the board may then appeal for a compelling order to the U. S. court of appeals and whichever side loses there, it will have the privilege of appealing to the U. S. supreme court, requiring perhaps another two years of litigation.

In paying these men according to the board's ruling, if they ever are paid, the company may deduct from the payments the amounts the men have received from other employment, but if the men were working on WPA jobs the company must send the amount they earned from that source to WPA headquarters in Washington.

No decision has been reached yet as to what course the company will pursue but the probabilities are that objection to the proposed order will be made to the NLRB and if overruled there that the case will be contested in the U. S. Court of Appeals.

A Real Tug Boat Captain

J. E. Norton, chairman of the Port of Bandon commission, attended a meeting of that body in Bandon Tuesday evening. He also inspected the port tug, "Bandon," while there and was very outspoken in his praise of the tug's new skipper, Capt. Guche.

The tug is so clean that he almost hated to step on its shining deck, and the built-in cabin work shows a high degree of skill.

Two Coquille men, J. E. Axtell and R. L. Stewart, who happened to be in Bandon yesterday as the tug was starting on a trip up river as far as Riverton, also complimented the skipper on his ability to handle the shifts and gears. He turned the tug around at Riverton where the river is not as wide as double the tug's length, and he can pull it up to wharf without a jar and within a paper's thickness of the decking or piling.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christian returned Monday from a business trip to Portland on which they left Friday. They were accompanied home by friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rayborn, who are visiting here for a few days. Mr. Christian said he nearly roasted while in the metropolis and the friends find it cold here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Rackleff and their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Luecke, of Spokane, and Mr. and Mrs. Hicking, drove over to the Ten Mile country, east of Camas valley, Saturday for a family gathering at the Ireland home. The three ladies are sisters and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ireland. There were 25 in attendance.

Mrs. Edna Hartson and Mrs. Edw. Lorenz left this morning for a three weeks' stay in Portland. They went up to take care of the former's grandson while the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maginnis, went on a vacation trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Pook returned last week from their sojourn of a few weeks at Breitenbush Springs. Mr. Pook is feeling much better now and expects to return to work at the S. P. depot before long. They also visited their daughter, Mrs. Robt. Roske, and their grandchild in Portland before returning to Coquille.

Mrs. Mary A. Burns and son, Bobby, left Monday morning for Corvallis, where they were to visit her sister, Mrs. E. A. Howey, for a week. Bobby expected also to go on to Salem and other valley points.

The Lincoln club met in regular session last Tuesday noon with Mrs. Maud Bean as hostess. Those present were Mesdames Blanche Davis, Ella Sell, Flora Dunne, A. J. Nussel, Clara Wheeler, Roy Scheckler, Edna Pointer, W. H. Schroeder, Laura Brandon, Idel Sell, H. A. McCue and the hostess.

Remember the dance in the Coquille Community Building, Saturday night. Music by those kings of swing, Don & Spenny's orchestra.

The Cow Bell Dairy is today having a new neon electric sign installed. It will help brighten the west end of First street and is a very attractive piece of workmanship.

Miss Sue Berg came down from Portland Sunday to accompany her brother, J. Arthur Berg, and family, who left for the fair at San Francisco on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hickam, of Lincoln, Nebraska, where he is a professor in the University of Nebraska, arrived here Monday for a few days' visit with the families of his brothers, John and William Hickam. They were here eight years ago and note many changes here in that elapsed time. They continued on their trip today.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Cornelius and children, Verne and Shirley, returned yesterday from a week's vacation spent at Treasure Island and other points of interest in California. They also visited relatives in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fuhrman and Rolph intend leaving Saturday morning for Corvallis to pick up Frederick. From there they will go to Capetown, Calif., for a visit at the L. P. Branstetter home and then on to the fair at San Francisco and possibly to Yosemite park. They expect to be gone two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Wood and Doris Ann are expected home the last of the week from San Francisco, where they have been attending the fair.

The local W. C. T. U. will meet Friday, Aug. 11, with Mrs. H. L. Johnson at 2.00 p. m. Hostesses will be Mrs. Inez Pinkston, Geo. Gray and Ella Nelson.

Pioneer Association Has \$41 Balance

When the officers of the Coos County Pioneers Association met Saturday evening to allow bills in connection with the picnic on July 30, they found that the \$7.50 left over from last year, added to the funds raised by O. C. Sanford in donations around the business section this year brought the total cash on hand to \$86.50. The funds were all raised in Coquille. Besides the expenses, the committee tendered the band which played so generously during the day a \$10 bill and had \$41 left for next year's Pioneer picnic. This will probably be sufficient and no solicitations need be made in 1940.

Concert At Pioneer Church Friday Will Be Interesting

The sacred and secular concert by the Coquille Dolce Trio, to be presented in the Pioneer Church tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8:00 p. m., will be given in groups of three numbers, with the trio singing three groups, Miss Margaret Purvance one group at the piano, and Miss Elois Wilson, soprano, one group.

Miss Myrtle Minter is the third member of the trio.

The final presentation by the trio will be spirituals, "Were You There?", "Jesus Paid It All" and "All God's Children Got Shoes."

New Janitors At High School

The Coquille school board for district No. 8 last Friday evening accepted the resignation of V. L. Bailey as janitor at the high school and selected as successors to him and his son, Bob, Frank F. Schram and Wm. Peart, who will act in that capacity for both the high school and the Lincoln buildings.

The resignation of Miss Aifa Bang, principal at the Washington building, was accepted and Miss Vesta Miley, teacher at that building for the past two or three years, was named for the principalship. To succeed Miss Bang as teacher of the fifth grade the board contracted with Mrs. Hazel Hannah, of Myrtle Point.

No successor has yet been secured by the board for Miss Gustafson, who was engaged for the English department in the high school who succumbed to a \$400 per year higher offer from the Eugene schools.

Back After Twelve Year Absence

Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Tozier and four children arrived here yesterday from their home at Etna, Calif., and are visiting at the Jack Tozier home, besides calling on old friends. Harry has not been here since he left Coquille twelve years ago and, being thinner than he formerly was, some of his old friends have not recognized him.

He makes an observation we had not heard before when he says, "The government is paying farmers for not raising wheat, for not raising pigs, but have you ever heard of the government paying a man for not milking cows?" He is a dairyman in northern California.

They expect to leave Sunday for the Willamette valley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cadman and daughter were here Monday morning from their Curry county ranch near Langlois. "Caddie" says he is expecting an early fall and a hard winter, a prediction that is justified by the excessive number of nuts there are on myrtle trees this year which usually precedes a more severe than usual winter.

NOTICE

SPECIAL MEETING OF LUMBER & SAWMILL WORKERS LOCAL 2776
All employees, exclusive of Plywood Department, of Smith Wood-Products are requested to attend the meeting Saturday, Aug. 12, at 3:30 p. m. at W. O. W. Hall, for the purpose of discussing the order handed down by the National Labor Relations Board to the company, affecting the employees and the relation of this order with the agreement now existing between Smith Woods and Local 2776. It is very important to you, so be sure and attend.
Signed by the Executive Board of Local 2776.
Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

Fairview Camps Resume Operations

The Kline and Ray logging camps resumed operations at Fairview this morning with a good prospect that they will be operated steadily this fall and coming winter—unless longshoremen strikes completely tie up coastal shipping.

This means that about 60 men who live in Coquille, at Fairview, and in between, will go back to work in each camp.

He Took A Spanking

Iris Elrod received quite a lecture from a woman on a Greyhound bus yesterday morning after his car and the bus had bumped a little. The stage was pulling out as the auto started by. The only damage was to the car's fender but the woman passenger was quite irate.

July Weather Report

The local weather report for the month of July, 1939, as reported by C. F. Walters, observer, is as follows: Total precipitation, .70 in.; greatest in 24 hours, .45 in., date 3rd; days with .01 in. or more, 8; days clear, 11; cloudy, 10; partly cloudy, 10. Precipitation for June, 1.91 inches.

The above is taken from the Western World and calls to mind again that Coquille should have an official weather observer who would keep similar records.

Attending Legion Convention

Coquille Post, No. 36, American Legion, is represented at the annual Legion state convention, which opened in Salem yesterday, by Commander Claire Gray, R. A. Jeub, C. P. Zumwalt and F. W. Martin.

The Auxiliary ladies from here in attendance are Mrs. Mabel Kunz, Mrs. Nellie Prey, Mrs. Gladys Gano, Mrs. Harry H. Hunt, Mrs. C. P. Zumwalt and Mrs. F. W. Martin.

Marshfield Plays Here Sunday

After dropping two games to the Coos league leaders, the Empire team, last Sunday, the Coquille squad takes on Marshfield at the local ball park next Sunday in a fight for second place.

Women Escaped Injuries

Geo. W. Cox, of Bandon, spent a couple of days in the Coquille Hospital this week, suffering from two fractured ribs, bruises and minor cuts, when the car in which he and Mrs. Cox and their daughter were riding went off the grade between Gardiner and Lake Tahkenitch.

It's the greatest wonder that the ladies were not injured for the car went off the grade where the highway slid out from under a bus a couple of years ago, and rolled into the gulch. Mrs. Cox was driving and said she must have dropped asleep.

Bartons Do Some Driving

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barton and Jesse made a long trip Sunday. They went first to the Lucky Boy camp on Blue river where they left Ben Barton and Billie Unsold for another two weeks at camp. From there they returned to Eugene, where they had lunch with Miss Anne Barton and then they went south to Ashland where they left Miss Beverly Taylor, of Klamath Falls, who had been visiting at the Barton home here for a week. It was very early Monday morning that they returned from their nearly 600-mile jaunt.

Jitterbug Contest At Gravelford Saturday

There will be a Jitterbug Contest at Gravelford Saturday, August 12, sponsored by the Gravelford Grange.

Dance Saturday

The Coquille Community Building is a mighty nice place to spend your Saturday evenings and Don & Spenny's orchestra will make it more pleasant with their waltz music.

A letter from Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Strang at Etna, Calif., received by the Sentinel this morning, says they are having a very dry season in that northern California district and it makes them wish they were back in Coos county.