# **Awards Made For Holiday Decorations**

**Business Houses** 

First prize for homes decorations in the Chamber of Commerce annual Christmas offer was awarded to D. E. Rackleff and first in the business district to Taylor's Service & Battery Station. Second prize for homes goes to W. H. Fortier and for business houses to J. A. Fitzpatrick's City Cleaners.

These awards were made by ar out-of-town committee of judges after inspecting the beautiful decorations on three different evenings.

The committee named the following homes also as deserving of special nomes also as deserving of special Pharmacy Flooded Rietman, Geo. Taylor, J. A. Berg, Murl Pettit, Jack Leach, D. B. Bieg- Monday Evening ger, J. P. Beyers, Julius Ruble, C. Weldon Kline, Geo. W. Bryant, Wm. Head, John Paulson, K. P. Lawrence, R. L. Stewart, C. M. Gray, E A. Walker, R. E. Nosler, J. S. Barton, T. L. Clinton and Riley Clinton.

In the business district the following were given honorable mention: Coquille Wood Co., Folsom Grocery, Mt. States Power Co., Roxy and Liberty Theatres, Coquille Hotel, The Riveria, Gano Funeral Home, Schroeder Bros. Mortuary, Coquille Laun-

# **Basket Ball** Here Tonight

For the last practice game prior to the opening of the Coos basketball conference schedule next Wednesday evening here with the North Bend Bulldogs as opponents, the Klamath Falls Pelicans will meet the Red Devils in the high school gym here tonight, Thursday evening, the game starting at eight o'clock.

Coach Leslie names the following as the probable starting line-up: Marvin Goodman, Everett Smith, John Shambow, Ted Schaer, Bob Arnold. But that does not mean he has definitely picked his strongest Holiday Goings combination for the season for he adds the names of Dee Krantz, Bill And Comings Ray, Charles McIntee, Bill Smith and Eugene Crouch to the first mentioned five as possible selections for first string duty.

"Spike" says the boys have not yet "loosened up" enough from the effects of the football season and he anticipates it will take a defeat or two to get them down to real business.

home for the holidays, headed by Rolph Fuhrman, resulted in a loss for the Red Devils by a 43-45 score. Last Thursday evening they won two games from Myrtle Point independent teams.

### BELLE KNIFE HOSPITAL

Mrs. E. B. Elford, of Coquille, underwent a major operation last Friday, and Howard Keller, of Norway, an appendectomy on Saturday.

On Sunday W. B. Irwin, Coquille, entered for treatment; Grant Harry for treatment for flu and pneumonia, and Houston Robison, Arago, underwent an appendicitis operation.

Jerry Walbert, Coquille, entered for an appendectomy on Tuesday and Mrs. E. L. Smith entered for treat-

ment the same day. Mrs. Fred Milani, Coquille-Bullards route, underwent a major operation

Dismissals were Mrs. Elmer Mc-Cue, Langlois, last Saturday; Wm. Hughes yesterday, and Mr. V. L. Cornelius, today.

### Jan. 3, Motion Day

Judge Brand has notified County Clerk Oddy that next Wednesday, Jan. 3, has been set as motion day in circuit corut.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Purvance took the latter's sister, Mrs. R. L. Gile, to her home in Roseburg last Saturday and spent Christmas there. Mrs. Gile had been visiting her sister here since Thanksgiving.

A New Year's dance will be given Sunday, December 31, by the Lake-Lakeside gymnasium.

### Old Sitka Mill Is Coming Down

Smith Wood-Products, Inc., have ade a deal with Ben P. Lawrence for D. E. Rackleff First For the purchase of the land belonging Homes, W. H. Fortier Sec- to the defunct Coquille Log & Lumer Co., just below Harry Hunt's ond-Taylor Station First, shingle mill. Geo. A. Ulett stated this City Cleaners Second For week that his company would retain the boom rights on the river front of the property but that the land would be placed on the market as sites for industrial plants.

The junk dealers who purchased the machinery and equipment of the mill last month are moving it out and shipping it to Portland. Their contract also calls for the removal of all the buildings from the property except a couple of barracks buildings

The proposed deal with a couple of Washington men who would have operated the mill, fell through and the old Sitka is rapidly becoming a thing of the past.

Fuhrman's Pharmacy was considerably damaged Monday evening by water. About eight o'clock the police notified them that water was standing on the floor and the crew had to work until midnight getting stock moved and the leakage mopped up.

The leak was from a bursted joint overhead and the water leaked at various points through the plaster. The strange part is that the old hotel plumbing was all recently replaced with copper piping and fix-tures but one of the joints cracked for

### Rev. Chas. Guilbert To Be Vicar Here

terday from a trip to Portland on which he left Monday. He announced that Rev. Chas. Guiller announced No. 1. that Rev. Chas. Guilbert, vicar of Trinity Episcopal Church at Ashland, had accepted the transfer to St. James' Episcopal Church here and would enter on his duties here when Mr. Turney goes to Marshfield, February 1. Mr. Guilbert is a man of 33 or 34 years, and is married.

J. Claude Savage, who has for some time held a position in the proofing department of the San Francisco Chronicle, was a visitor in Coquille last week-end. He came up to spend Christmas with his children. Mr. Savage is known to all the old-timers in Coquille for he was editor-publish-A practice game one evening this er of the Sentinel from 1908 to Jan. week against a bunch of college boys 1, 1913. He arrived last Friday evening.

> after being gone since the first of chicken ranch. last week. He went over to Ogden, Utah, to spend Christmas with his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lans Leneve.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Pierce returned Tuesday evening from the San Francisco bay area to which point they drove last Saturday. The Bryants visited her sister, and the Pierces their daughter, Elizabeth, and husband.

The Sentinel family enjoyed a very happy holiday with all members of to do. the family present for Christmas. Allen, Jr., from Portland, and Jean, from San Francisco, arrived Saturday afternoon. The former with his wife and son, Bobby, who had been visiting here for the past week, left early Tuesday morning for Portland, and Jean accompanied Alice Fish when she started for San Francisco Tuesday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fuhrman, who spent Christmas with a family party on their ranch on Sixes river, enjoyed having their sons home for the holidays, Frederick from U. of W. at Seattle, and Rolph from U. of O. at

# **Births At Coquille Hospital**

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson, of Coquille, on Dec. 23, a seven pounds and ten ounces baby girl, who has been named Nancy Ann.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rose, of the Four Mile district, a baby boy who de high school student body, in the weighed seven pounds, 101/2 ounces and has been named Marvin Gilbert.

# **Coquille Mail Breaks All Records** In December

egan a week earlier for Christmas was at least ten per cent larger this month than for any previous year and

All Coquille business houses report similar increase in business for the Christmas season, and altogether this gon during the winter. year, 1939, may well be considered The Sentinel man was also shown the greatest in a financial way that a wild blackberry twig last week to the city has ever experienced.

## **Down To 25 Degrees** Two Nights

The Coquille valley's first below freezing temperature occurred the past week-end, the theremometer registering 25 degrees both Saturday and Sunday nights. Those who had been trusting to luck previously made a rush on the service stations Saturday evening for anti-freeze chemical.

# Water To Be Off Sunday Afternoon

The city water is to be shut off at intendent Epperson makes the announcement and the water department crew will flush the mains during the work of preparing and distributing the baskets. that period.

# Not Be Candidate

Any mention of his name as andidate for the republican nomina tion for county judge at the primary next May is unwarranted said J. E. ticipate in a political battle for votes. And he has not intimated to anyone that he might seek such an office.

## Goodwins Buy Cafe At Myrtle Point

Mr. and Mrs. Lisle Goodwin have purchased Floyd's Cafe in Myrtle Point and will have it open for busibeing remodeled and redecorated. What is Coquille's loss is Myrtle Point's gain, although Lisle says they hope to continue to live on their Jno. W. Leneve, deputy county Rink creek home place, just outside clerk, returned to duty this morning Coquille, until they find a sale for the Eamily Reunion

### **Engineers Prepare To Sue**

Stevens & Koon, Portland engineers, have engaged an attorney to attempt to collect their fee in connection with the surveying and supervision over the Rink creek dam raising. The city has authorized the sent them just as soon as they forward the maps and data of the work something they have so far refused

care for.

# Ripe Raspberries **Picked On Christmas Day**

business this year than it did last, ful of raspberry vine twigs to which clustered 30 to 40 ripe berries, and there were also blossoms on the vines. the mail handled, postal receipts, etc., He picked them on Christmas day at was the greatest in the city's history, his old home place between Oakland Sale of 1½ cent stamps, which was ess than 15,000 last year, jumped to and said he could have picked a half 39,200 this month, and the sale of a gallon. The berries are not quite three-centers has been 31,400 in Desummer nor are they as sweet, but the interesting point is that berries will blossom and ripen in southwest Ore-

which ripe berries were attached.

# Christmas **Basket Report**

Fred Bull, chairman of the Christhas basket committee, reports that 30 paskets were delivered this year, slightly more than half the number distributed last year.

Cash receipts from all sources were \$87.40. There remains in the fund \$3.68 which will be turned over to the school milk fund. Besides the cash there was a considerable amount of groceries and other provisions and othing donated.

Mr. Bull asks the Sentinel to express the thanks of the committee to 1:30 p. m. on Sunday, Dec. 30, to be all clubs and organizations which off until five o'clock. Water Superpecially does he mention the Townsend club members who did most of

#### **Lowell Simpson Improving**

Lowell Simpson returned Sunday night from Portland where he had been for a few weeks and feels greatly encouraged as to his ultimate recovery from that terrible motorcycle accident he suffered last summer. The seat of the infection was Norton yesterday. He has not had, located and removed while he was does not now have, nor will he in in the hospital in Portland and he the future hold any ambition to par- then began to gain-eight pounds in the past two weeks.

## **Examiner To Come** On Wednesday

Ward McReynolds, examiner of the state's traffic department, stated when he was here Tuesday that hereafter his visits in Coquille would be on Wednesday, the first one being ness the middle of next week. At Jan. 10, and every two weeks therepresent the cafe is closed while it is after. The hours for those desiring drivers' licenses to call at the city hall will be from 11 a.m. until 5 p. m.

# A Christmas

Happy New Year

YOU'LL enjoy more good things during 1940

We hope it will come true for you and those you

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than ever before—that's our prophecy for you.

A grand Yuletide family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Southstone. Those present Paul Harvey of Hollywood fame and days' vacation there. wife, Hubert, a brother, and his family, Mrs. Southstone's daughter, Lyndell, and husband, Harold Glenn, and Mrs. Helen Harvey, mother of payment of their fee which will be Paul Harvey, Hubert and Mrs. South-

> Mrs. Maud Woodyard spent Christ mas with her son, Ray, at Salem.

### **Early Morning** Fire Yesterday

A fire which smoldered from abou ight until shortly before five o'clock yesterday morning, was extinguished by the fire department chemical very quickly after the alarm was given.

The call was from the Robert Littrell home on Second street, in one of the Geo. Sherwood houses across from the former Methodist church. Mr. and Mrs. Littrell were sleep-

ing when the barking of their spaniel aroused them.

The chair in which the fire started vas destroyed, and all the other furniture in the living room was scorched and the paper on the wall came off in sheets. Nearly all the kitchen furniture was also blistered and all the windows in the living room were

# Wm. F. MacKnight Leaves Coquille

Wm. F. MacKnight, for the past 14 nonths connected with the Sentinel. last week dosposed of his interest to M. D. Grimes and H. A. Young and on Saturday left for Portland with Mrs. MacKnight and their baby daughter. After spending a few days there they were to go to Sand Point, Idaho, where he had an option on the leading of the two weekly papers

Having come from the higher and drier Utah section, Mr. MacKnight found the damp, sea-level climate here injurious to his health, and he had been anxious to leave Coquille for several months. It is not the best climate for one subject to lung trouble and he realized it some time ago.

"Bill," as he was universally called, was a square shooter, without a dis-honest fibre in his being, and the business men with whom he came in weekly contact, all respected him for his integrity and speak most kindly of their association with him.

# Holiday Goings And Comings

Mayor R. F. Milne and family, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Greene of Myrtle Point, arrived home from Portland at the very early hour this morning of three o'clock, yet the doctor was on the job in his office at went up last Friday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Milne's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Pinkston left last Saturday night on a month's eastern trip during which they will visit their old home in Buffalo, N. Y. They also expected to stop in Detroit, Chicago, Niagara Falls, Rochester, New York City and other points.

Mrs. Geo. Unsoeld had several members of her family here for Christmas. Mr. Unsoeld was down from Eugene, Miss Beryl came up from Arcata, Calif., and John was over from Klamath Falls. Mrs. Un- der Bros. Mortuaries. Interment is soeld accompanied Mr. Unsoeld back were: Mrs. Southstone's brother, to Eugene Monday to spend a few

> Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neal, who have been living in Allegany for the past He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfew years, came in yesterday after spending Christmas with their daughter, Gretchen, and her husband, at

> Seattle, arrived Saturday afternoon to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Greenough, and from her home in Seattle yesterday left again for Seattle Monday after- for the funeral.

### County Jail Arrivals

Ed Biescke, who has been wanted by the state police since last April fore Recorder Leslie Monday mora 28 on a drunken driving charge, re- ing on a drunkenness charge. The sulting from an accident near Bandon, was arrested there last Friday and is now in the county jail where he is held in lieu of \$500 bonds, set in justice court at Bandon, where he was bound over to the grand jury.

Wm. Johnson, a half breed from North Bend, was brought to jail disorderly charge." here last Saturday. He is charged with assault and battery, beating up on an Indian girl over there.

Next Monday being a legal holiday its first session of the new year Tues-day evening, January 2. that they will accept contribution for the Finnish Relief fund. day evening, January 2.

# **Four Deaths Here** The Past Week

Mrs. E. W. Ferris Died This Morning--Mrs. Perry Neal To Be Buried Friday--Mrs. O. J. Jones, J. W. Williams

Mrs. E. W. Ferris, sister of E. O. Howe and Mrs. Ella Donaldson, of this city, passed away at 9:50 this morning at her home on North Taylor street. She had resided here for 38

Funeral arrangements had not yet peen made at the time the Sentinel went to press nor was information as to her life available at the time.

Funeral services will be held at the Schroeder Bros. chapel tomorrow (Friday) morning at 11 o'clock, for Mrs. Perry Neal, of Fairview, who passed away at the Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene, where she had been receiving treatment for six weeks, Tuesday morning. It will be a Christian Science church service, conducted by Mrs. Bertha J. Smith. Interment will be at the Dora ceme-

Mrs. Neal had been ill for the past 18 months but it was not realized that she was in so serious a condition and her passing came as a shock to her many friends.

Born Juanita Belle Hatcher, she had lived all her life in Coos county, having been born at Lee on the East Fork, July 28, 1890.

In October, 1916, she was united in marriage to Perry Neal and they had lived at Fairview for many years. Besides her husband she is survived

by two children, a daughter, Mrs. Maxine Carver, of Powers, and a son, Harold Neal, of Fairview; one sister, Mrs. Frank McCrary, and one brother, Neva Hatcher, both of Coquille.

Mrs. Alma Beatrice Jones, wife of Ormond Joseph Jones, passed away at their home, a mile out from Coquille on the Myrtle Point highway, yesterday morning after an illness of three years.

The funeral services are being held at two o'clock this Thursday afternoon, Rev. R. D. E. Smith officiating. Interment will be in I. O.

O. F. cemetery, No. 2. Mrs. Jones was past 64 years of age, having been born in Wisconsin, Sept. 14, 1875. She came to Coos county with her husband four years ago. She was a member of the Coquille Assembly of God church.

Besides Mr. Jones she is survived by two sons, Earl Florence, of Bismark, N. D., Elman Vredenberg, of Bremerton, Wash.; a daughter, Ellen, and one brother.

John W. Williams, a resident of Coquille and vicinity for the past 60 years, passed away here on Monday at the age of 63 years, one month and one day. Funeral services are being held at

two o'clock this afternoon at Schroe-

to be in the Masonic cemetery. The deceased pioneer was born in Council Bluff, Iowa, Nov. 24, 1876, and came to Coquille with his parents when he was three years of age.

liam H. Williams He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha Williams, who is in a hospital in Portland; three children, Mrz. Orville Chard, of Coaledo, where he Harrison Greenough, who is with had been making his home; Mrs. Ila the Boeing Aircraft Corporation at Griffith, of Portland, and Clifford Williams, of Bandon; also by a sister, Mrs. Florence Decker, who arrived

### In City Police Court

Demon Guin, an itinerant from Oklahoma, was broke when taken bejudge gave him a \$10 fine, susper

for a year. Oscar Larson, member of the highway crew, forfeited \$10 bail when he failed to show up Monday morning. He was arrested about three o'clock Saturday morning on a drunk and

#### Will Receive Donations For Finnish Relief

The Coquille branch of the First the Coquille city council will hold National Bank of Portland announces