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Car Ditches Logger, Logs Fall On Another Car

Only meager details were available at police headquarters Wednesday morning of an accident which wrecked two cars and a logging truck near Sixes on Monday.

Mrs. Georgianna Wines, 55, of Waldport, was driving north from Brookings and attempted to pass a loaded logging truck driven by Jack Stanley Laird. In some way the two machines tangled. The car was thrown off the grade, the logs were tumbled from the truck and fell down on a car standing in the field several feet below the level of the highway. That car was pretty much smashed and flattened out, and one of the logs was inconceivably splintered.

Mrs. Wines was brought to the Coquille Hospital where it was found she had suffered brain concussion, and contusions and bruises of her hip and leg.

She had recovered sufficiently this morning so that she was able to leave by bus for Portland.

There are rumors of other accidents south of Bandon yesterday but the state police had heard nothing of them.

Oiling Fat Elk Road Is Asked

The Coquille Chamber of Commerce, at the board of directors meeting Tuesday noon directed the highway committee to submit resolutions to the county court asking that the Fishtrap road, from the bridge here, be raised at three low places and that the road be oiled as soon as possible. This move was one of co-operation with the ranchers and dairy-men in the Roy district who are asking for the improvement.

Aside from the benefit to the farmers of that section which an oiled road will be there is a further need for an improved road from Arago to Coquille, if and when a Coquille valley airport is established. Such a landing field will undoubtedly be in the Arago district.

J. A. Lamb mentioned a fact that the few of the directors knew, that the Fishtrap to Arago section of this same road has been oiled to a width that makes it a veritable highway.

Mrs. Jack Dolan who has been the instigator in organizing a 6th column in Coquille, was invited to attend the directors' meeting next Tuesday noon and speak on the purposes of the new organization. The directors expressed themselves as being favorable to support of the organization as already outlined.

71-Year Old Powers Justice Peace Held

J. J. Bell, 71 year old justice of the peace at Powers for the past year or two, was one of those against whom a secret indictment was found by the last grand jury. He was charged with larceny of public funds, as was his predecessor in that office. He has been ill, or at least confined to his home for some weeks, and was not arrested until Tuesday this week when he was taken before Judge Brand in circuit court. He pleaded not guilty and the judge set his bail at \$1000. Andy Newhouse was appointed by the court to defend him. He is charged with appropriating to his own use the fees from his court which should have been turned over to the county.

North Fork Rancher Wants To Return To Kentucky Home

J. W. Powell, who was in from the North Fork, ten miles above Fairview, Monday, said that his ranch and equipment is for sale and that he plans, if he can make a sale, to go back to Kentucky where he and Mrs. Powell both own property in one of the oil fields. He suggests that there might be some one out here who would be interested in oil property. A well on his place there produces about 15 barrels a day.

Mrs. Tom Detlefsen, of Norway, who has been ill for several months and had never fully recovered from the effect of the operation she underwent a couple of months ago, was taken to the McAuley hospital in Marshfield yesterday.

Memorial Day To Be Observed

Coquille Post No. 36, American Legion, with the Legion Auxiliary and W. R. C. co-operating, will observe Memorial Day again this year as they did last, with simple services at the bridge and at the two cemeteries.

Forming at the Legion Home at 10 a. m., with as many private conveyances and individuals as may care to participate, the procession will go first to the bridge where a quartet will sing and flowers will be strewn on the water's surface in honor of those who died at sea in past wars.

Following the firing of a volley by a picked squad of Legion members the procession will move to the Odd Fellows and the Masonic cemeteries where the same procedure will be followed, except that the flowers will be placed on graves instead of on the river.

The public is cordially invited to take part in these services says Frank F. Schram, who is general chairman on arrangements for the post.

Jury List For June Term

Following is the jury list drawn this week for the June term of circuit court:

Frances Detlefsen, John S. Sanders, Louise Minter, John Gambelin, Edna McLarsin, F. R. Bull, Zoe Fugelson, Jane Creager, I. H. Heaton, Levi L. Bunch, all of Coquille; Maude T. Parr, Clarence W. Eddy, Theresa F. O'Neil, Ona Mae Loney, Eva K. Joslyn, Ardla S. Forth, Boletta G. Kennedy, of Marshfield; Reed Gallier, E. D. Webb, Chas. Yarbrough, Erwin Hamlin, John K. McCue, of Bandon; Flenige A. Perkins, Imogene Fowler, George M. Linn, of Myrtle Point; H. M. McLean, Roy F. Robinson, F. E. Southmayd, of Norway; Arthur J. Jepson, of North Bend; D. V. Yeaman, Geo. B. Glenn, of McKinley.

Beggars Buy Out Jack Gunderson

By a deal completed last Friday evening, Mr. and Mrs. David Biegger became the sole proprietors of the furniture store on Front street, heretofore known as Biegger & Gunderson's. N. H. Gunderson, of Marshfield, who has been a partner in the store, sold his interest to Mr. and Mrs. Biegger. The new store name is Biegger Furniture Co.

In the few years that Mr. Biegger has been managing this store he has built up a reputation for square dealing, honest merchandise at a fair price and good service and we predict that this furniture and furnishings business will grow to larger dimensions under the capable ownership and management of himself and Mrs. Biegger.

Marshfield Boy's Body Recovered

The body of Dean Smith, 20-year old Marshfield youth who was drowned in Sunset Bay on May 2, was found Tuesday morning at the foot of a cliff between Sunset Bay and Shoreacres. A private funeral service was held on Wednesday.

Garland Oddy Buried Sunday

Funeral services, with Rev. H. L. Graybeal officiating, were held at the Gano Funeral Home at 2:00 p. m. last Sunday for Garland Oddy. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Ladies Visit Former Club Member At Eugene

Last Wednesday several Coquille ladies drove to Eugene to spend the day with Mrs. Paul Trojel, one of their former bridge club members. Following a lovely luncheon the afternoon was spent in playing bridge. Mrs. Gant won high score and Mrs. Walker, second. Those going from here were: Mesdames Fred Watson, D. B. Estes, O. T. Gant, E. A. Walker, J. E. Axtell and Walter Litsenberger.

Mrs. Edna Hartson returned Sunday evening from a two-day trip to Portland. She went to see her three weeks old grand-daughter as well as the others in the Dan Maginnis family.

6th Column Being Organized In Coquille

Will Combat By Propaganda And An Aroused Patriotism The Silver Shirt And Nazi Fifth Column Activities In Coos County

Women, and girls over 18 years of age, who are seen in Coquille and vicinity wearing a blue arm band with red and white borders with a white "G" embroidered on a blue background, are members of a newly organized patriotic society in Coquille, which it is hoped will spread all over the United States.

The organization was inaugurated by Mrs. Jack Dolan, and is in line with a policy recommended by the American Legion for some little time, that of having a "6th column" in the United States which will combat, or expose 5th column activities—those of alien groups in this country whose insidious propaganda and spying efforts are inimical to this country and nation.

For a better understanding of what the "5th column" is, note John W. Kelly's explanation on another page of this issue in his letter from Washington, D. C.

At the present time upwards of 100 members have been enrolled in the "6th column" here, and applications for membership may be made to Mrs. Dolan, Mrs. Felix Miller, or Miss Wilda Van Meter.

The purpose of the 6th column is to prepare women for taking up many forms of activity in case the map of the country are called to the colors, to learn and expose the subversive activities of Nazi or communist groups, to instill patriotism, and to fit its members to defend their homes if necessary.

It is planned to have a former army officer instruct the members in the use of firearms, to hold drills for them and conduct practice shoots; the government will furnish the ammunition.

It is also planned to have worth while speakers address the group every two weeks, the first subject to be on 5th column activities; another on "How the 5th column spreads propaganda" and another on the difference in living conditions between those in the United States and those in other countries.

There are to be no dues nor assessments for members, no secrets which a 5th columnite might learn to the detriment of the order and no warlike activity. The idea is entirely pacific in interest and its members may join also if they wish—will be better citizens and have a better idea of how superior our democratic form of government is to the dictator-controlled nations.

Those who assisted in embroidering and making the arm bands were Mrs. Felix Miller, Mrs. Dewey Gilkey, Mrs. D. E. Strong, Mrs. Wm. Strong, Mrs. Geo. Johnson, Mrs. Wm. Johnson, Mrs. Neal Milligan, Mrs. Ernest Strong and Miss Videlle Kelley.

Pirates Of Yesteryear Entertained At Dinner

Mrs. Guy Mauney, Tuesday evening, invited the members still living here, of that former Pirates organization, in honor of her sister, Margaret. The other Pirates were Anne Barton, Mrs. Phillip Anderson (Sara Margaret Nye), and Carol Young.

Today (Thursday) Mrs. Mauney will take Margaret down to Palo Alto where she is to begin rehearsal for stock company.

Others going down with her are Mrs. H. W. Pierce, Mrs. Albert Powers and Wm. Pook, who is starting for the Islands.

One Contest May Have Been A Tie

If the official count in Curry county showed the same result as last Thursday's Curry County Reporter stated, there was a tie in the race between J. H. Turner and Roy Carter for nomination as joint representative from Coos and Curry counties. The Reporter said that Turner received a majority of 38 in his home county and Carter's official majority in Coos was 38.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.50.

Annual School Election Will Be Held June 17

Three Of Them Will Receive Diplomas At O. S. C., One At Stanford University

Four graduates of Coquille High School will receive their diplomas from higher institutions of learning in June, three at Oregon State College and one at Stanford University.

The latter is George A. Ulett, Jr., who graduated from C. H. S. in May, 1935, and has the past year been attending the U. of O. medical school. He will be through this year's term in time to be home on Saturday of next week and then proceed to Palo Alto, where he will receive his A. B. diploma with the Stanford graduating class on June 16.

Dorris Jane Compton who graduated with the 1936 C. H. S. class, will receive her diploma at Oregon State College next week. She is one of the 90 seniors who have completed the secretarial science course.

Duane Fitzgerald, who received his diploma from Coquille High in 1933, finished the course in forestry a few months ago at O. S. C., and will go up to Corvallis next week to be one of the 94 forestry graduates who receive bachelor degrees.

Frank Davis Schram, 1931 C. H. S. graduate, will receive his diploma from the school of engineering at O. S. C. He will be one of 138 graduating from that department.

Two other Coos county students are among the 783 who have completed their courses at Oregon State College and will receive their degrees. They are William Weeks Ingenhutt, of Powers, and Cleo Goltra Williams, of Charleston. The former was a forestry student and the latter took 186 nursing education course.

Coquille is also represented by eight lower class students at O. S. C. this year. They are: George Hall Chaney, freshman in lower division, who is the only freshman; sophomores are Jack Horace Hunt, forestry, Byron Davis, secretarial science, and Elton Eugene Salisbury, education; juniors are Frank Biase, engineering, Leland Jack Clinton, forestry; Marilyn Ethyl Compton, home economics, and Robert Warren McGilvery, science.

City To Observe Memorial Day

Thursday is Memorial Day and nearly all places of business in Coquille will be closed throughout the day. The Sentinel joins with the rest in taking the holiday which is dedicated to the nation's honored dead, those who have fallen in times of stress or veterans who have passed since.

The year 1940 is one in which weekly newspapers with a Thursday publication date must issue a day early three times, on Memorial Day, 4th of July and Thanksgiving, whether the latter be on November 28 or the week before.

Harold Matson Home From Eastern Trip

Harold Matson, of Thornton Tire Service, returned Sunday evening from a three weeks trip on which he visited relatives in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. At Detroit he picked up a new Chrysler Royal in which he returned by way of San Francisco, where he took in the opening of the Golden Gate Exposition.

Mr. Matson was accompanied on the entire trip by his brother and sister from Marshfield.

They had tough luck with their baggage after they left here, losing the sister's suitcase somewhere along the McKenzie river, and later's Harold's suitcase on the rear of the car caught fire some way and was burned. After their return, a fisherman reported finding the lost suitcase and returned it to Miss Matson.

Dr. Stark To Attend Medical Session In Portland

Dr. G. E. Stark is going to Portland to hear Dr. Rosenow, from the Mayo Clinic, who is to talk Friday evening to the medical society. The doctor, who is the leading authority in the United States on poliomyelitis—infantile paralysis—will talk on that and on virus infection and streptococcal infection.

Mrs. Tillie Dockery Passes Suddenly

Funeral services are to be held at the Masonic cemetery at 2:00 p. m. on Friday, May 31, for Mrs. Hildah Tillie Dockery, who passed away suddenly last Saturday morning between 10 and 11 o'clock.

The evening before she had been feeling so miserable that she went to the hospital. Next morning she was apparently in fine spirits, joking with the attendants and laughing, and she ate a hearty breakfast. A little later she became violently ill and nothing could be done to save her life.

Schroeder Bros. Mortuary are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Dockery came to Coquille two years ago the eighth of this month and has operated Dockery's ice cream parlor on Front street since that time.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crumb and was born in Tumtum, Wash., July 16, 1911, being ten months and nine days past 28 years of age at the time of her passing.

By her first husband who passed away several years ago, she was the mother of two children—Eugene, 12, and Harriett, 10—who have been attending school in Portland and spending their vacations with their mother here.

Besides the children she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Cora Crumb; her brother, Oliver Lee Crumb, both of whom, accompanied by the latter's wife, came up from their home in Placerville, Calif., upon receipt of word of her passing.

Two other brothers also survive, one in Los Angeles and one in San Francisco.

Mrs. Dockery had made quite a success of her Coquille business venture and was enjoying a good patronage. The business will be conducted for the present under the management of J. LaRoy Rhule who last Monday was appointed administrator of her estate in probate court.

Gasoline Down This Week

Whether the reduction in the prices of gasoline this week will be permanent remains to be seen, but one dealer points to the fact that with the export trade so largely cut off because of the war in Europe, the petroleum industry has immense volumes of stored gasoline and in order to keep it moving and not cut down on operations, the big gas companies have made the cut.

Locally Ethyl has been cut 2½ cents to 23 cents a gallon, standard grades 1½ to 21 cents, and third structure two cents to 20 cents. These prices are a cent and a half higher on Ethyl and standard, and three cents higher on third structure gas than those now prevailing in Portland.

Services To End Sunday Night

The revival meetings, now in the third week at the Assembly of God, will close on the coming Sunday night. Evangelist William D. Swanson has been preaching to large and appreciative crowds each evening. The musical programs have been unusually good. Mr. Swanson plays both piano and violin and sings both solos and duets with his wife. Meetings will be held at 7:30 p. m. to-night, Friday, Saturday and Sunday night. The evangelists will also be speaking Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

The Oregon District Council of the Assemblies of God will convene Monday evening in Salem and Rev. R. D. E. Smith, pastor of the Coquille Assembly of God with his wife and Evangelist and Mrs. W. D. Swanson, will attend. The convention closes Friday night.

Praises Santiam Highway

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barton, who left last Thursday for Crane, in eastern Oregon, to bring home their daughter, Miss Anne, who taught in the high school there the past year, returned Sunday. Mr. Barton says one of the finest and most scenic roads he has seen, although it has not yet been oiled, is the Santiam highway and that it is well worth making a trip over. They came home by way of Pendleton and altogether traveled about 1350 miles.

4 Coquille Young People Graduate Next Month

The annual budget for School District No. 8, published in the Sentinel last week and again this, shows a decrease of \$550 from the estimated total expenditures for the coming year from the \$55,160 estimated to be received from taxation a year ago. The estimated receipts, \$16,100, is the same this year as it was last.

Notwithstanding this decrease of \$550 in the budget it will be necessary for the voters to again pass on the question of increasing the levy by more than 6 percent for the base on which the 6 percent increase is figured is still considerably below the \$54,610 of this year's proposed budget. The amount of the tax, in excess of the 6 percent limitation is \$13,172.56.

The polls will be open from 2 to 7 p. m. on Monday, June 17, for the annual school meeting at which time the vote on the 6 percent feature will be held, the votes being by ballot.

The other purpose of the meeting will be the election of one school director. The term of R. T. Slater expires and as far as heard there is no talk of changing the personnel of the board. The other directors are Mrs. Leona Bryant, W. E. Boeserman, C. W. Kline and Dr. J. R. Bunch.

Since district No. 8 became one of the first class the voters do not pass on the question of adopting the budget, but a hearing on the budget will be held at 8:30 p. m., at which time any suggestions as to changes will be heard and considered by the board.

New Faces In Sheriff's Sky Parlor

Alexander McCormick, brought over from North Bend on Sunday to answer to a manslaughter charge, pleaded guilty in circuit court on Tuesday and was sentenced to two years in the pen. Committing abortions was the type of manslaughter of which he was guilty.

Ward Taylor and Corklin, Davis, two drunks from Marshfield, were brought to the county jail last Saturday to serve ten days each on vagrancy convictions.

George Mark Waggoner, a 12-year old Millington youth who has made a practice of running away from home, was sentenced in juvenile court on Monday to be sent to the Boys' Training School near Woodburn.

Earl Wm. Fowler, on May 27, and Walter Jefferson on May 28, were brought up from Curry county to serve out \$50 fines at \$2 per. Fowler was convicted of killing deer out of season, and Jefferson of possession of deer meat.

Mrs. Porter To Assist Mrs. Boober At Auto Camp

Mrs. Thelma Porter, who had been employed at the City Cleaners plant for 13 years prior to its sale by J. A. Fitzpatrick to George McClellan and Louis Holimon a couple of weeks ago, has gone up to Mrs. R. E. Boober's auto camp, four miles this side of Newport, where she will assist Mrs. Boober in operating the camp this summer. Mrs. Boober left for there on Wednesday this week.

Mr. Fitzpatrick who bought the City Cleaners in November, 1928, and had operated a cleaning establishment for years before that, says that Mrs. Porter was the most efficient help he ever had.

While Mrs. Boober is gone for the next three or more months, Mrs. Catherine Maynard will be social reporter for the Sentinel.

Changed Name To Get Liquor

John Dewey Woolms, Powers young man, who has often been in trouble before, had his parole revoked by Justice Barton here last Friday, and must serve his old sentence of 90 days in the county jail.

His parole was conditioned on his leaving the county but he soon went back to Powers, secured a liquor permit under an assumed name—he was on the liquor commission's black list—had been getting drunk and making a nuisance of himself. When thrown in jail up there he set the bedding on fire.