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17 Slot Machines Confiscated By Peace Officers

Peace officers of the state and county started the clean-up of slot machines and gambling devices on the Bay about 11 o'clock Tuesday night and continued yesterday in seizing the paraphernalia where advance telephone notice from other raided places had not caused the machines to be moved out and secreted.

The co-operating force included Sheriff Howell and Deputy Culver, members of the state police and officers of the state liquor commission, the latter looking principally for illicit liquor supplies.

Some of the machines seized were large sized cabinets which it would seem a shame to have destroyed after the internal machinery had been removed and smashed, which will be done when the cases are finally settled. Three of them were handsome pieces of furniture which could be put to many kinds of use. But the innards will all be sledgehammered.

The officers found and confiscated three slot machines at Kitty's Tavern at Empire, two at the Rose Tavern, four at the Cliff House, two at Midway, and six at Bush's.

There have been warnings for some time as to what was contemplated but still the machines were in operation.

C. M. Howard Wins Finals

Clem Howard and Wm. Barrow fought it out yesterday in the finalist round at the Coquille Valley Country Club, Mr. Howard winning one up.

Mr. Howard, club champion, looked plenty good in taking Pat McLarin last Sunday 3 and 2, while Mr. Barrow stayed in the running by taking John Arnold one up in 27 holes. They were tied at 18 holes. It must have been a rather nerve-racking encounter between the two for somebody said something about somebody missing several short putts in the 27 holes, and the play was unusually close all the way.

"Dutch" Clinton won out in the consolation tournament, with his best score for some time, winning from the club president, Pete Norton, 3 and 2. Dutch started with a pair of birdies, his first shot barely missing being a hole in one.

Twenty-six members of the local club have signified their intention to make the trip to Cottage Grove this coming Sunday, where they will play that city's best in the golfing line.

Mayor Will Look At Pumpers

Mayor and Mrs. R. F. Milne intend leaving Sunday to spend a week in Portland while his dental office in the First National Bank building is being painted and redecorated.

While there he intends looking over the rebuilt pumper jobs which are listed at $3800. The mayor rightly feels that if one of these jobs will pass the underwriters' tests and do the work that there is no need of spending $6500 for a new pumper. A $2700 saving for the city there is just as worth while as the saving of a thousand or two dollars in interest by calling bonds before their maturity dates.

No Strike During Emergency

H. M. Ross, E. L. Perrott and Ben Atkinson returned the first of the week from a trip to Portland, where they attended a meeting of the Carpenters' Union. They report that an agreement was reached whereby there will be no strikes in their department of defense industry while the present emergency lasts.

Violet Sutton Married At Reno To W. Jackson

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Woodcock announce the marriage of their daughter, Violet Sutton, to Wendell Jackson, of Grants Pass, at Reno, Nevada, last week. Mrs. Jackson an honor student graduated from Coquille High last year. The young couple is living at Bend, where Mr. Jackson is employed by a motor company.

Park Flag Pole Dedicated Tuesday

Preceding the valley track meet at Athletic Park Tuesday afternoon, the recently erected flagpole, which the Coquille Lions club secured from the county and had placed in position, was dedicated with a short and simple ceremony.

B. W. Dunn acted as master of ceremonies and following a number by the high school band called upon Clarence Osika, as a representative of the schools, and Ray Jeub as member of the Legion's Americanization committee for remarks. Each responded quite briefly, the thought back of their remarks being that educational opportunities and the freedom which the people of the United States enjoy are typified by the flag.

Two members of the Sea Scouts raised the flag while the band played "America," the audience standing at attention.

The Pledge to the Flag was repeated by the several hundred in attendance and Rev. Howard L. Graybeal pronounced the benediction.

Leaving On Seven Weeks Trip

Mrs. O. C. Sanford, of Coquille, and Mrs. W. S. Nicholson, of Marshfield, are leaving on this evening's train for an extended trip which will take them to the Atlantic coast and from which they will not return until after the Federation of Wonman's Clubs annual convention in Corvallis early in June.

On their way east they will travel through Canada where Mrs. Nicholson will stop to visit relatives. Mrs. Sanford goes first to Boston, then to New York and at Atlantic City will attend the triennial convention of federated women's club at which 2,000 or more are expected to be in attendance. The convention is international in scope with ladies expected to be present from Hawaii, Alaska, the Philippines, but usual delegation from European countries is hardly expected this year.

Following the convention Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Nicholson will go south to Miami, Florida, thence to New Orleans and from there by the southern route to Los Angeles and north to Oregon.

The triennial convention begins on the 1t7h day of May.

Osika, Howard To Head Rotary

Clarence Osika and Clem Howard were introduced at the Rotary club meeting yesterday as the new president and vice president of the club. Hode Caughell was also introduced and is to serve as secretary.

The new officers were elected at a meeting of the new directorate at Dutch Clinton's residence on Monday and will take office on July 1st.

The regular annual Ladies' Night dinner and dance was also announced to be held at the Country Club on Friday night, May 23, and committees were appointed.

George Folsom operated the high school moving picture machine, showing a long reel on national defense which was a sequel to "The Ramparts We Watch," put out by Time.

Rotarian L. A. Cutlip, of North Bend, was present with a guest, Paul Smith, of Portland.

Inhalator Given To Fire Department

Mrs. Jack Dolan president of the Sixth Column, presented to the Fire Department the new $167 inhalator purchased with funds raised by her organization at an informal ceremony held Wednesday evening at the Council chambers. Speakers on the program included Roy Roberts, first aid instructor of Marshfield, and Mr. Glass, Marshfield, who explained the proper procedure necessary to secure best results from the new machine. Ted Snyder, first chief, and [illegible] a member of the department, gave an exhibition [illegible] machine.

Members of the Sixth Column, all the firemen and the group of Camp Fire girls that is taking the Junior First Aid course were among the large number of people attending the presentation ceremony.

Mrs. Geo. Witters left yesterday to join Mr. Witters in Roseburg, where he is now manager of the Safeway store.

Coast Highway Sessions At Bay Sunday, Monday

The dining room of the Chandler Hotel at Marshfield was filled with those who came from as far south as San Francisco and from Victoria, B. C., on the north, to attend the spring conference of the Coast Highway Association, and the hotel served a very fine banquet.

President J. W. Lundeen, of Nelscott, was toastmaster and he first called upon Judge E. L. Peterson, who remarked that "highways are happy ways" and that highways provide the ways for displaying the show windows — the communities — along which they pass.

His was an address of welcome for Coos county; Mayor J. Albert Matson and Ed Stelle, president of the chamber, welcomed for the city of Marshfield.

Arch Sanders presented the two girls, Jerene Mast, of Allegany, and Maxine Curry, of Marshfield, who will appear in the Coast Highway moving picture.

C. H. Demaray, Grants Pass, president of the Redwoods Highway Association, said that three bridges in northern California—two at Scotia and one at Smith River—had recently been dedicated and that it will not be long until the Pacific highway bottleneck on Sexton mountain is eliminated.

Geo. I. Warren, who is well known to the Coast Highway membership, was introduced. He is travel director for the British Columbia section of Canada.

J. L. Bossemeyer, San Francisco, who is western director of the U. S. Travel Bureau, made the principal address of the evening. Accompanied by Mrs. Bossemeyer—both of whom originally came from Arkansas—the speaker said he could now call himself an Oregonian, having lived in Salem and enjoyed the beauties of Oregon scenery for many years. His reference to the Columbia river gorge was that it was one of the most scenic spots in America.

He told a story on Sam Boardman, state superintendent of parks, who when he lived in Pendleton set out trees which the natives there said would be killed by jack rabbits. He than planted a circle of cactus outside the circle of trees and when queried as to why, said. "If they, the jack rabbits, do eat the bark off my trees they won't do it sitting down."

He said the travel bureau of the federal government was started in 1937, and that the travel industry is one of the biggest in the United States. It is worth, in dollars, about six billion annually, and the purpose of the bureau is to increase travel in this country.

He also gave as his opinion that the coast section of Oregon is overlooking a bet in not publicising its coastal streams to a greater extent—the fishing and other attractions. The sand dunes are also worth capitalizing and he added that the state's system of parks is a gem.

He advocated most strongly the elimination of unsightly shacks and spots along the Coast highway—and there are many adjacent to the towns —and urged a program of beautification be inaugurated.

He decried any highway program which endeavored to eliminate curves from the roads. The curves are a blessing, he stated, and tend to slow down the travel of tourists to a point where they could enjoy the roadside beauties of the coast.

Mac Wilkins, of Portland, was a speaker at the Monday morning session. As a livewire, dynamic personality, this publicity agency representative is one of the most forceful and inspiring of speakers and his talk was along the line of advertising Oregon and also attempting to secure the state's just share of defense industries.

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer from Salem, was another speaker Monday. Amonng other things he said the state highway department will during the [illegible] years spend approximately eight and one-quarter million dollars in the district from Junction City south to the state line and from the summit of the Cascades to the Pacific ocean, but he did not say how much of it would be spent in 1941-42 on the North Bend-Coquille section of the Coast Highway.

Astoria was selected as the city where next fall's annual session of the association will be held and adjournment was taken soon after noon on Monday.

Clean-Up Week April 28 - May 3

Through its mayor the city of Coquille has designated April 28 to May 3, both dates inclusive, as the period to do their parts toward beautifuying the physical aspect of the city by cleaning their premises of all debris, cutting high grass and weeds, and a liberal use of paint would be beneficial in many cases. We can all heed the following proclamation by Mayor Milne and help make Coquille a more beautiful city than it ever has been before:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, that time of year is nearly at hand when tourists from other parts of the State of Oregon and from other States of the Union will be passing through and stopping in the City of Coquille. and

WHEREAS, the City of Coquille and its citizens should and do take pride in the cleanliness and beauty of the City, and

WHEREAS, a clean and tidy City will bring satisfaction to its citizens and admiration from tourists and visitors,

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority in me vested, I, Ralph F. Milne, Mayor of the City of Coquille, do hereby proclaim and declare a CLEAN UP WEEK in the City of Coquille, from April 28 to May 3, both dates inclusive, and I earnestly urge and request that each and every citizen do his best during that period to clean up his home and yard and the streets and public places in the city.

RALPH F. MILNE,
Mayor of Coquille.

Personal Mention

F. S. Emery and daughter, Betty, returned Sunday evening from Portland, where they visited Mrs. Emery over the week-end. Mr. Emery says that Mrs. Emery, who has been in a hospital there for the past two weeks for observation, is getting along very nicely and that they hope to have her home in a week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lamb, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fuhrman, of Sixes river, returned Tuesday evening from a trip to Eugene and Portland. At Eugene Sunday they visited Rolph Fuhrman who had just returned with the U. of O. basketball team from their trip to Honolulu.

Sherman Morris of the local police force and Stanley Curtis of the Curtis Studies returned Tuesday evening from a business trip to Salem and Portland on which they left Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sercombe left Sunday for their home in Portland after visiting here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hazard. Mr. Sercombe came down to attend the meeting and banquet of the board of governors of the state bar association in Marshfield Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerrol Sutton, who sold their half interest in the Quelle Cafe a month ago to Clarence Summers, returned Tuesday evening from a two weeks' trip during which they visited in Albany, Portland and Pendleton. They have no definite plans as yet as to where they may locate. They found places of businss for sale had jumped two or three times their former prices in those towns now enjoying defense industry booms.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barton plan to leave today for Klamath Falls. From there, they will drive to The Dalles, where Mrs. Barton is a delegate to the Young Democrats State convention, scheduled for the latter part of the week. During Mrs. Barton's absence from here, Sarah Margaret Anderson will assist Mary Margaret Gedney at Miss May's Shop.

Mrs. G. A. Bosworth, of Oklahoma City, Okla., mother of Lanis Bosworth of this city, arrived last Friday by bus from Los Angeles, for a visit of a week or two in Coquille. Mrs. Bosworth is seventy-eight years of age and is travelilng alone. She says she is enjoying her trip very much.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Houdyshell, of Ashland, Ore., are here visiting their two daughters. Mrs. Floyd Peterson and Mrs. Ralph Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Head and baby, of Roseburg, were week-end guests of Dr. and Mrs. T. De La Rhue.

Parking Would Destroy Lawn

City Engineer Gearhart made a report to the city council Monday evening, the session being presided over by O. L. Wood because Mayor Milne was out of town, that the only way a suitable number of cars could be parked in the space in front of the Community Building and Legion Home, was by utilizing all the space, which would destroy the lawns, and put in a U-shaped drive. In this way there would be space provided for at least 36 cars.

The council did not know how the organizations which were instrumental in having the lawn made and the shrubbery set out would feel about this destruction of the lawn and referred the matter to the street committee. The feeling was, however, that with parking space being so badly needed contiguous to the business district that every available spot should be used. If the Woman's Club or other organizations have serious objection to the proposal the council would like to hear about it.

Parking on the streets was also discussed and the report was that there is more open space on the main streets since the tagging campaign began a couple of weeks ago.

The attitude of the council is that co-operation on the part of business men, clerks and others who are down town all day long would tend to obviate the necessity of marking and tagging cars. The man who moves his car each hour, but still occupies a ten-foot space on the street is not co-operating, and there are back streets where such cars can be parked.

A resolution was adopted providing for the grading and gravel improvement of Fifth street, from Heath to Division, and on Division for 190 feet south of Fifth. This is at the northwest corner of the Patterson Grove park, and the estimated cost of the improvement is $1230, or $40 to $50 a lot. It will be necessary to excavate 2150 cubic yards of earth and move it to make the improvement.

L. H. Barber, the bicycle man, offered to make, install and maintain bicycle racks if the council would indicate where such racks should be located and would permit him to put his advertisement on each one.

Youngsters now lay their bicycles down in front of doorways, or against the curb, or anywhere else they may stop, the result being that they are often run over or damaged. The street committee was asked to designate spots where the racks could be placed advantageously.

It was a shorter than usual session of the city fathers, adjournment being before ten o'clock.

Score Out For Baseball

Floyd Chase, manager of the Coquille baseball team, which opens the season here on May 11. with the Marshfield team as opponent, reports that there are from 17 to 20 players out every evening for practice and that he will have a very good entry in the Southwestern Oregon League.

Last Sunday the local team defeated the Marshfield Legion team 7 to 4. Marvin Goodman pitched four innings and was touched for but one safe hit.

LeRoy Gilbert went in cold in the fifth. He walked four, hit two and that combination with two errors in the field produced the visitors four runs. He held them safe after that to finish the game.

On opening day the players will all blossom out in new uniforms for various business houses here have contributed the wherewithall for their purchase.

Loggers Loses Two Toes At Camp Yesterday

Harry A. Lisday, 38, who lives on the Coquille McKinley route, was brought to the Coquille Hospital from Kline's camp at Fairview yesterday. He is a bucker and a while making an undercut his axe sliped and he cut off the large toe and part of the one [illegible]

The Census Bureau has determined that almost twice as many people die from motor vehicle accidents as from all of the following diseases put together: typhoid and paratyphoid fever, measles. scarlet fever, whooping cough, diphtheria, epidemic cerebrospinal menigitis, and malaria.

Warranty and bargain and Sale Deeds for sale at The Sentinel office.

County C. of C. Enjoys Ocean Ride On Tug

A dozen or more of those who got down to Bandon for the county chamber of commerce meeting Monday evening early enough, at 5:30 o'clock, enjoyed a very fine boat ride.

The tug, "Port of Bandon," was all steamed up and ready to travel, under the command of Capt. Guche, westward toward China. As a matter of fact the westward ho! was only out around the flashing buoy, something over two miles from the Coquille river mouth. The Pacific's surface was just about as smooth as it ever gets, except during the August and September dog days.

There was no more vibration crossing the bar than there was in the river, but the swells a little further out caused the tug to bob around.

The old sea dog, Bob Stewart, expressed chagrin that the sea was too smooth, but to most of the land lubbers, among whom were four ladies, it was just right as it was.

The only annoyance caused ayone was the fact that at an unwatched moment the spray breaking over the prow caught Arthur R. Jones, of the Myrtle Point Herald, wetting him to the knees.

Attendance at the dinner session at seven o'clock in the Minute Cafe, was not as large as usual, due primarily to the spring conference of the Coast Highway Association which closed its sessions that afternoon at Marshfield.

President Wallace Dement, of Myrtle Point, conducted the meeting

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Ileen Harris, L. Bemetz Wed

Miss Ileen Harris the popular clerk in County Clerk Oddy's office, and Lubert Bemetz, who is employed at the International Cedar plant at Marshfield, were united in marriage by Rev. G. A. Gray at his home on Second street here at two o'clock last Saturday afternoon.

Their attendants were Miss Blanche Sandon, deputy in the clerk's office. and Ross Jenkins.

The bride was attired in a steel blue suit. with navy blue accessories and carried a corsage of Talisman rosebuds and gardenias.

The bridesmaid's dress was rose-colored crepe with a navy blue coat and her corsage was Talisman rosebuds.

Others attending were the bride's mother and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Brault, and her grandmother, Mrs. Mettie Peterson, and the groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. L. Bemetz.

Following the ceremony a reception attended by relatives was held at the Brault home at Riverton, after which the newlyweds drove out to Roseburg.

They returned Sunday afternoon and are at home in Mrs. McElwaine's duplex apartment on Ffith street.

One Deserts Bachelor Girls

Mrs. Paul Martin, nee Jane Brault, whose marriage automatically disqualified her as a member of the Bachelor Girls, was the guest of honor at the group's regular luncheon meeting Friday at the Coquille Hotel. Mrs. Martin, no longer a club member, was seated at a small table reserved for her alone. The Bachelor Girls presented her with a pink carnation corsage and a neatly framed verse, entitled "Ode to Jane," which was composed by the club president, Marjorie Knight.

Only guest to share honors with Mrs. Martin was Aloha Allen, a former member, who was here from Portland, where she is attending Northwestern Business college. Members present were Winnifred Stone, Helen Lund, Margaret Belloni, Maxine Johnson, Lydia Holstein, Ellen Braxton, Carol Young, Vesta Miley, [illegible] Matney, Norene McKeown, Eileen Kendall Patricia Peart and Eva Schrooeder.

The Alcohol Tax Unit, U. S. Treasury Department, seized 4,722 motor vehicles for illicit transportation of liquor in 1940. This figure exceeds seizures for each of the years 1939, 1938 and 1937. One make of vehicle alone constituted about 45 per cent of the vehicles seized.