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Nels Osmundson Saved from Drowning By Three Boys

A heroic rescue from death by drowning was the record three Coquille boys made at Bandon last Sunday. The boys were Bob and David Kline and Tommy Martin, while Nels Osmundson, former Coquille resident who with Mrs. Osmundson has been living at Natureland south of Bandon, was the one rescued.

Mrs. Kline and the boys went down to spend the week-end at Natureland and Sunday morning Mr. Osmundson went out with them fishing from the rock which juts out into the ocean near Natureland.

At 1:30 o'clock Mrs. Kline drove out as near as the road allowed to pick up the boys. Mr. Osmundson had been lying on the rock while the boys fished and as they were getting ready to leave he started to arise. A cramp in his leg caused him to fall over backward, striking his head on the rock and partially stunning him. He then rolled off the rock into deep water.

Bob saw him go over the edge and he and Dave plunged in with all their clothes on and swam with him to the rock where Tom assisted by pulling from above. Nels had swallowed considerable salt water and had not the boys jumped in promptly would undoubtedly have drowned.

He was still partially stunned and it required considerable effort on the part of the boys to get him out and, with Mrs. Kline's assistance, up to and into the car.

Both the boys are expert swimmers and Bob has a cherished Boy Scout life-saving badge which he further merits by reason of Sunday's rescue.

Verna Reynolds, Don Burch Are Wed

Verna Reynolds daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Smith of Corvallis, and Don Burch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burch, were married Saturday at 8:00 p. m. at a pretty ceremony held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ilo H. Heaton.

Rev. E. C. Swanson performed the double ring ceremony before a large window which was flanked with white baskets filled with pink snapdragons, pink tulips, bridal wreath and blue scillas. Other bouquets of pastel shaded flowers were placed about the rooms. Lighted tapers gave their glowing warmth to the scene.

The bride was given away by her father, E. E. Smith. Muriel Smith was her sister's attendant. Lin Swain, a cousin of the groom, was best man. The bride wore a dainty afternoon dress of blue with matching jacket. Her corsage was made of pink rosebuds, bouvardia and deep lavender sweet peas. In her hair she wore a cluster of rosebuds and forget-me-nots. Muriel Smith, the bridesmaid, wore an afternoon frock of old rose and lace, which harmonized perfectly with the bride's blue dress. Her corsage was made of gardenias and forget-me-nots.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Heaton gave a reception for the newly married couple. Mrs. Burch cut the first slice from an elaborately decorated, tiered wedding cake. Reception guests were Messrs. and Mesdames E. E. Smith, of Corvallis, Albert Burch, George Griggs, Ilo H. Heaton, Lin Swain, Clyde Brown, of Reedsport, Charles Goehner, of Corvallis, Miss Muriel Smith and Chris Gwillam.

Mrs. Burch's going-away costume was a navy gabardine suit, light blue hat, dusty pink blouse and navy accessories. The young couple took a short trip down the coast. For the present, Mrs. Burch plans to continue her work at the Coquille Hospital.

Hotel Elevator To Run Friday

The new elevator in the Coquille Hotel is to be put into operation this week although the finishing around the entrance to the shaft has not yet been completed. When all the work has been completed Mine Host Company expects to extend an invitation to the people of Coquille to come in and inspect the new improvement and the other embellishments which put the Coquille Hotel in the front rank of modern hostilities.

Front Street Cops Pay Fines

They don't all get sore and threaten boycott of Coquille as did one traveling man recently because he received an over-time parking tag and had to fork over a dollars to the city recorder.

Down on Front street a group of the business men agreed among themselves to watch for overtime parking by anyone of the group, and whether his car had been tagged or not, if one of the group was notified by any of the others that he had been parked there for more than an hour in violation of the city ordinance that he would voluntarily go to the city hall and pay a dollar.

Fred R. Bull was instigator of the plan and Monday morning one of the others caught his car parked on Front street for more than an hour. Like a man Fred immediately chased himself up to the city hall and coughed up a dollar.

Probably some of the others will do well to watch Fred's checking now on their cars!

Mr. Bull says the agreement has been in effect there for more than two weeks and during that time there has been plenty of parking space on Front street.

Might be a pretty good idea if the agreement area was widened and covered all the business section where parking is restricted to one hour.

Just as we thought! "Revenge is sweet," chortled Fred yesterday when he caught the car of Herb Souder, barber, parked for more than an hour on Front street, and the latter was on his way to the city hall to contribute a dollar when Fred reported it to the Sentinel.

Lions Institute Safety Patrol

The Safety Patrol plan which was inaugurated by the Coquille Lions club will be put into effect before school is out this month if the equipment the Lions have ordered arrives in time. If not it will be ready to start in September when school opens.

Officer Sherm Morris has been designated to have charge of the patrol which will consist of the older boys in the Washington building. It is planned to mark Second and Third streets as far west as Henry street as safety zones and the boys, accoutered with caps, belts, badges and safety hand signs, will patrol those two streets before and after school, during the noon hour and at recess time.

The idea of the Lions is not only that it will be a matter of safety education for the youngsters, but that the effect on grown drivers may be salutary and some young boy's or girl's life may be saved during the noon rush to and from work.

City Will Have A Celebration

There was considerable discussion at Tuesday noon's session of the chamber of commerce as to what Coquille can do this summer in the way of a public celebration of some kind. That as one of the things mentioned more often than anything else in the chamber's recent postal card survey of the valley as to what those living outside of Coquille think the city should do to make it a more attractive center.

President Stewart stated that next week he would appoint a committee to canvas the merchants and learn their desires as to a celebration.

B. W. Dunn told at greater length than he did before of his ideas for a celebration, using the river as a motif, with a parade of decorated boats, such as logger contests as might fit into a river fete, and possibly a street parade and other features.

It now seems probable that Coquille will have some kind of a celebration at a time when it will not conflict with the county fair at Myrtle Point, the regatta at Coos Bay or other annual events in the county.

Mrs. Inez Chase, teacher in the Washington building, is planning an eastern trip this summer during which she will visit her daughter, Miss Genevieve, who is located in New York city. Mrs. Chase will also be delegate from the Coos County Teachers Association to the National Educational Association convention which will be held in Boston, Mass., from June 29 until July 3.

No One Hurt, Logging Truck Complete Wreck

Very seldom do trucks come together with such force as did the two a couple of miles above Bridge, on the highway, at eight o'clock yesterday morning with some personal injury.

Chas. Kash was driving his Chevrolet truck and trailer up to the mill at Bradford station, near Camas Valley, when on a curve the logging truck of Merle (Toughie) Bryant crashed into it, hitting just back of the cab. The logger lost both front wheels in the collision, plunged over the bank and down for 150 feet without turning over, and Bryant emerged with only a slight bruised spot on his leg. The logger was a complete wreck.

The Chev. was whirled in toward the bank, the trailer going over the edge on the river side without breaking loose, but the side of the truck was sheared off, the drive shaft broken, and the estimate of what it will cost to repair is around \$600 or \$700.

Mr. Kash suffered no injury of any kind, and both drivers agree he could not have gotten any further over to avoid being hit.

To Be Gone Three Months or Longer

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Nosler, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gulseth left this morning on that trip during which they will encircle the United States, being through practically every state around the perimeter of the U. S.

They go first to Spokane, then through Yellowstone Park and on to Minnesota where Mr. Gulseth's parents reside. The trek from there is southwest to Iowa, Waterloo and Des Moines, and then up into Maine where Mrs. Nosler's father lived in his early days. They will visit a nephew in Boston, Mrs. Marvel Skeels in New York the Lyman Carrier family in Virginia and then go down to the southernmost tip of Florida.

From there they start west, as soon as they get far enough north to pass the Gulf of Mexico, to New Orleans and on to Los Angeles and San Diego where many of the Nosler clan reside. Mr. Nosler said Tuesday that they had estimated it to be a three months' trip but they are not going to rush anywhere and if it takes more than 90 days it is OK with them.

To Sam it will be all virgin territory for all his traveling heretofore has been up and down the coast, from British Columbia to southern California. Mrs. Nosler, some years ago with her brother, the late Geo. T. Moulton, visited in Waterloo, Iowa, but beyond there it is something new for all four of them.

Mrs. Sutton Buys Town Cafe

Effective this morning, Mrs. Ruth H. Sutton became the proprietress of the Town Cafe in the Shelley building on Hall street, having purchased the business and equipment from Jas. Town this week.

After selling out their interest here a month ago Mr. and Mrs. Sutton investigated possibilities in Portland and as far east as Pendleton but did not find any place that suited them as well as does their Coquille home town.

Besides Mr. Sutton, who will be chef, and herself, there will be five employed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Town will continue to live in the apartment above the cafe for a month, after which Mr. and Mrs. Sutton and their son will occupy it.

P.U.C. Officials Making Survey

Geo. R. McGee and Robert Buzzard from the Oregon Public Service Commission office in Salem, arrived here Tuesday to make a survey of the water system, rates, etc., as requested by the city council. They expected to finish their work today and after working over the material resulting from the survey, will make recommendations as to rates and present those recommendations to the council.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sherwood spent the weekend in Salem.

May Day Festival At H. S. Gymnasium Saturday Evening

Gay costumes are being fitted; a final polish is being put on dance routines; fresh streamers are being fastened to two Maypoles; all in preparation for the 16th annual May Day Festival, sponsored by the Coquille Woman's club. The program to honor Virginia Young, May Queen, will be held Saturday at 8:00 p. m. at the high school. Sharing honors with Queen Virginia are Donna Dunn, Pat Holversloot, Eileen Griffin, Rheo Walker, Marvin Myers and Helen Nelson, princesses in the royal court.

Building her program on the theme of dances of many nations, Mrs. T. B. Currie, general chairman of the festival for the Woman's club, planned numbers that are colorful and entertaining. Special emphasis has been placed on our own American folk dances.

Following is an outline of the program:

"Princess of India," played by the high school band, directed by Tom Cautners, music supervisor.

Professional of the queen and her court. Among the little flower girls are: Nana Foss, Faye Hersey, Marcie Mauney, Bobbie Jean Harris, Helen Taylor, Donna Schroeder, Mary Kistner, Nancy Lee Perrotti and Diana Schroeder. Master Billy Bourns will bear the crown which Senior Councilman O. L. Wood will place upon the dark curls of Queen Virginia. The train bearers are Bobbie Swinney, Billy Church and Johnnie Clayton.

Pee Wee and His Wyoming Dude Ranchers will play "San Antonio" (Continued on page six)

Music Week Program Tuesday

In commenting upon the Music Week program, which will be held here Tuesday, May 6, at 8:00 p. m. at Pioneer Methodist Church, Muriel Dae, program chairman, said that particular care had been taken to choose the type of music that everyone knows and loves. There will be cowboy music, southern music and well-known, popular American classics, as well as Spanish American numbers, chosen to stress the Good Neighbor policy.

This is the eighth year that Coquille has had a National Music Week program. Maud Skaggs Woodyard, is county chairman of National Music Week. In choosing Muriel Dae as program chairman for Coquille, Mrs. Woodyard was assured of having a program that would reflect the professional touch that Miss Dae's wide experience on the concert stage and in radio could guarantee. Mrs. W. E. (Continued on Page Three)

To Talk Wage-Hours Law

A crew of five from the federal Wage and Hours division in Portland is in the county now and next week a portion of that crew will open an office in the court house and call on employers who come under that act to submit their books for inspection to ascertain if there has been compliance with the requirements of the wage and hour law. Being a federal law it affects those engaged in interstate business.

L. A. Peifer, the inspector in charge, will be the speaker at the Chamber of Commerce session next Tuesday noon, explaining who comes under the operation of the law, what they must do, and telling what the penalty is for failure to comply with the law.

League Season Opens May 11

The Marshfield team is to furnish the opposition to the Coquille club for the opening game here of the Southwestern Oregon Baseball League on Sunday, May 11. The other three games that day will find Gold Beach playing at Powers, Bandon at Myrtle Point, and Port Orford-Langlois at North Bend. All games will start at two o'clock.

In the practice game last Sunday with the Powers team Coquille won out in the last of the ninth by a 7-6 score. Alan Bailey pitched the first half of the game and LeRoy Gilbert finished on the mound.

Iva Bates Bride Of Lloyd Laird

Announcement of a marriage which will be a surprise to their many Coquille friends, was contained in a letter to the girls in the telephone office yesterday morning that Miss Iva Bates was to be married at eight o'clock Wednesday morning to Mr. Lloyd Laird, at Petaluma, California.

Miss Bates, who has been chief operator of the West Coast Telephone company here for the past eleven years, and has worked for the company for the last 23 years, took a three months leave of absence early in March. Several weeks ago, Miss Bates, who was recovering from the effects of a major operation, went to California to convalesce.

According to reports here Mr. and Mrs. Laird will live in Petaluma, where Mr. Laird and his mother, Mrs. Mable Laird, are operating a chicken ranch.

Miss Helen Endicott, who was acting as chief operator of the Coquille exchange during Miss Bates' absence, will continue in that position.

Governor Names J. E. Norton On Board

J. E. Norton recently received word from Gov. Sprague that the latter has appointed him as chairman of the Rogue River Co-ordinating Board.

This board, which serves without salary, will attempt to work out a solution of the Rogue river trouble between miners and fishermen. It's a trouble of long standing, the fishermen protesting to every state agency that the dumping of refuse in the river by the miners in Josephine county is driving the fish from the river.

The other members of the board are R. R. Alden, of Galice, and T. V. Scott, of Wedderburn.

The new law passed by the last legislature does not go into effect until June 14, when this commission would take over, but the three heads of state departments who have formed the board personnel under the old law, have named the three appointed by the governor to serve in their stead until June 14, and Mr. Norton expects to go out to Salem within a few days to get further information as to what the new board is expected to do and can do.

Rev. C. M. Guilbert Dean For District

Rev. Chas. M. Guilbert, vicar of St. James' Episcopal church, here, was elected dean of the Southwestern Oregon Convocation, which was held here last Monday, succeeding Rev. Geo. R. Turney, of Marshfield, who had served for the past year.

Bishop B. D. Dagwell was in attendance at all the meetings of the day which included a session of the ladies, the Southwestern Oregon Deanery, at three o'clock, a dinner at 6:30 and the convocation.

There were 41 ladies present at the afternoon meeting, the list including delegates from Medford, Roseburg, Coquille, Myrtle Point, Bandon and Marshfield.

The ladies were addressed by Mrs. Robert Arneson, of Oswego, diocesan president of the Women's Auxiliary, who outlined the program for the (Continued on Page Six)

Tells Rotary Of Canadian Visit

Charles Guilbert gave an interesting talk on Victoria, B. C., at the Rotary club yesterday for the benefit of quite a number of the delegates and Rotarians who expect to attend the district convention to be held there in about two weeks. Mr. Guilbert has just returned from a trip north on which he visited both Victoria and Vancouver, going by the way of the Olympic peninsula.

Rotarian Frank Skeewis, of the Marsh-Bend club was the only guest present.

Room in Bank Building Has Been Rented

A new floor in the west room of the bank building, painting and re-decorating of the interior, indicates that this room, vacant for the past two years, is to be again occupied. However C. M. Howard, local bank manager, said Tuesday that until the year's lease had been signed he did not care to make any public statement as to the occupancy.

Bert Kay, Stricken In California, Buried Yesterday

E. M. (Bert) Kay, a resident of Coquille for twenty or more years, passed away at Napa, Calif., last Saturday morning. A sudden heart attack was the cause of his demise. He and Mrs. Kay went to Napa last December where Mr. Kay had an excellent position.

The body arrived here Monday evening and funeral services were held at the Gano Funeral Home at 2:00 p. m. yesterday. Rev. W. S. Smith officiated at the services and interment was in I. O. O. F. cemetery, No. 1.

Ejhelbert M. Kay was born at Bridgeville, California, Sept. 19, 1878, being seven months and seven days past 62 years of age at the time of his passing. He came to Coos county in 1898.

He was united in marriage, Dec. 22, 1906, to Miss Isabel Alice Hazelton, who survived him. He is also survived by three children, all of whom live in the Coquille valley—Wm. H. Kay; Mrs. Lois Paulson and Mrs. Doris Laird. A grandson is John Walter Paulson.

Mr. Kay is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Ray Bates, of Bandon, and eight brothers—E. J. Kay, of Bridgeville, Calif.; C. B., of Yreka; J. D., of North Bend; D. C., of Bandon; J. S., of Richmond, Calif.; A. R., of Vallejo, Calif.; E. L., of Coquille and R. D., of Stickton, Calif. The brothers acted as pallbearers at the service.

Mr. Kay had been a member of the Odd Fellows lodge for 41 years and was also a member of the Rebekah lodge. The attendance at the services of the members of these two organizations and the gathering of friends who wanted to pay their last respects to one whom they honored and cherished, crowded the funeral parlors to its capacity.

At the cemetery the Odd Fellows, assisted by the Rebekahs, conducted their ritualistic graveside service.

Bert Kay was a carpenter, and a good one, by trade, and he had contracted or helped in constructing of many homes and buildings in Coquille during the past two decades. He was a man of fine character, an upstanding citizen who was an asset to any community where he resided, and his sudden passing came as a personal grief to hundreds in Coos county who had known him for the good man and friend that he was.

Valley Golfers Lose In Lane Co.

The Coquille Valley County club golfers, playing on a strange course at Cottage Grove last Sunday, lost the greater percentage of their matches, only ten of the local members coming out ahead with 26 pairs playing. Even the Coquille valley champion dropped his match to the Grove champ.

Following is the score sheet of winners and losers:

Coq. Valley Club	Clem Howard 1/2
Sid Milligan 2 1/2	George Linn 1/2
Ten Denson 2 1/2	Dutch Clinton 0
Bill Zemmerly 3	Jack McLarin 0
Ray Lemley 3	John Arnold 1 1/2
Earl Hill 1 1/2	Les Sumnerlin 0
C. Morelock 3	Spike Leslie 1/2
J. Langston 2 1/2	S. Norton 0
A. Jones 3	Bill Barrows 0
L. Schroeder 3	Pat McLarrin 0
Steve Gasper 3	Roland Bowles 2
Earl Weise 1	Pete Norton 3
Geo. McQueen 0	Pat Rickard 1 1/2
H. French 1/2	Jap Morgan 3
Bill Sunderland 0	Ed Sempert 0
H. Swartz 3	Harry Dement 1 1/2
H. Wolford 1 1/2	Dick Arnold 1
R. Trask 2	Hank Holmes 0
R. Mickey 3	Lloyd Wilson 3
D. Scott 0	Bob McLarrin 3
C. Sharp 0	O. Hendricks 2 1/2
H. Swanson 1/2	A. Anderson 3
J. Peck 0	B. Dunn 2
A. Dunlop 1	Bob Littrell 2 1/2
E. Hendricks 1/2	Clayton Mast 3
Jim Clinton 0	Clayton Mast 3

Clayton Mast was in charge of the tournament and did a most excellent job of pairing the men and getting the games started.

County Clerk and Mrs. L. W. Oddy returned Monday from their California trip. Mr. Oddy returned to duty in the court house this morning.

Frank Martin has been attending a convention of Penney store managers in Portland this week and is expected to return today.