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Bandon Postoffice Entered---Safe Is Still Locked

The Bandon postoffice was entered last night with intent to rob but whether anything was taken had not been determined at the time the Sentinel went to press.

The attempted robbery was not discovered until the clerk entered the postoffice this morning and Sergeant Larson of the state police sent Officer Tichenor down at once. The latter was working on the safe but had not yet succeeded in opening it, due to the fact that the combination on the small safe, in which postal supplies, yesterday's receipts of money, and the valuable property of the office is kept, was broken off by the crooks.

Entrance was effected by breaking out the glass of the window of the toilet and the way it was scattered all over the landscape would indicate that that was not a noiseless job. From there the thief or theieves had easy access to the postoffice interior.

The culprits undoubtedly wore gloves for no trace of fingerprints could be found by the investigating officer.

Until stamps and supplies can be rushed to Bandon, or the safe is opened, the postal crew has nothing with which to serve the public and it is an all-around mess.

Postmaster Jack Wade left last evening for Bremerton, Wash., taking his father, Judge C. R. Wade, along. They went to bid farewell to Gene Wade before he leaves on an U. S. naval vessel for the Orient.

Loggers To Run Midnight To Dark

H. B. Glaisyer, secretary of the State Highway Commission, has notified Smith Wood-Products here that the application of the company for permission to haul logs on the highway from midnight until dark has been approved by the commission and an order made to that efefct. There was nothing in his letter relative to hauling Saturday afternoons and application was not made for permission to run on Sunday.

It will be necesary for the trucks to be equipped with the same sort of lighting facilities which are used by the huge freight trucks which do much of their traveling at night.

R. A. Jeub said Tuesday that had the permission to start hauling at midnight six nights of the week not been granted by the commission it would probably have meant the shutting down of the plant next winter when logs cannot be brought out of the woods.

Coquille Booterie Opens Next Week

A new retail establishment in Coquille will be the Coquille Booterie, an exclusive ladies' shoe store, which it is hoped will be ready for a grand opening the latter part of next week.

Mrs. D. B. Biegger and her sister, Mrs. E. H. Sommers, will be the proprietors, and the Booterie will be located in the east room of the W. O. W. building on First street, between Miss May's Shop and the Nosler Barber Shop.

Remodeling and renovating the room has been in progress the past two weeks, and if the equipment ordered arrives in time the Booterie will be open Friday of next week.

Sunday's Baseball Schedule

The Southwestern Oregon League schedule for this coming Sunday, Aug. 10, calls for Myrtle Point to play the Indians at Athletic Park here, Port Orford-Langlois to play the league leaders at Powers, Bandon to play at Empire, and the two Bay teams, North Bend and Marshfield, at the latter city.

The end of the season occurs on the following Sunday, Aug. 17.

Bill Pook Now A Signal Corps Sergeant At Camp

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Pook received word last week that their son, Bill, had just been made a sergeant in the Signal Corps at Fort George Wright to which he is attaached. This week he was to be in charge of a crew which was building seven miles of electric line in the vicinity of Ritzville.

Drillers Hit "Oily" Mass

The drillers on the Westport arch are down something over 1300 feet without having yet struck an oil reservoir or encountered more than flashes of gas.

They have in that distance drilled through over 500 feet of coal, the thickest vein being about 20 feet, and it is of a quality approaching anthracite. Much of it is several hundred feet deeper than the Beaver Hill mines where hundred of coal miners were employed twenty-five or thirty years ago.

The drilling still continues on the arch and unless the geologists are all wrong gas and oil will be hit before long.

Yesterday, however, they encountered an oil sand, the samples brought to the surface looking a great deal like a mashed chocolate bar. It felt and smelled oily and was encouraging to those directly interested in the drilling.

Rotarians' Picnic At Laurel Lake

There were 75 Rotarians and their guests from Coquille, Myrtle Point and Marshfield, in attendance at the club's annual picnic at the J. Arthur Berg cabin at Laurel Lake last evening and a royal good time was enjoyed by all.

A splendid out-door Dutch lunch, consisting of cold meats, salads, pickles, onions, cheese, coffee, etc., was enjoyed by the group after Bob Stewart had demonstrated his skill as a navigator by taking a boat load out for a sail on the lake.

There were a goodly number of warblers who entertained themselves and the rest by group singing of old and new songs, and it was not to their discredit at all that some of we dubs attempted to help them out—in volume at least.

Cards were the most popular form of the after dinner entertainment and it was not until another day had arrived that the party broke up, declaring it to have been the best the Rotarians have yet held.

$46,716.39 County Warrants Called

Elsewhere appear the warrant calls made by County Treasurer Stauff on the market roads, bridge and non high school district funds. The total to be disbursed for principle payments on the three is $46,716.39 on which the estimated interest payment will be $1800.

The market road call, for war rants issued in August September, October, 1940, is for $6.611.19 with interest at $200.

The county bridge fund warrants, issued between Nov. 1, 1939 and Sept. 1, 1940, will mean a total payment of $17,922.36, plus an estimated interest of $900.

Non-Hi warrants total $21,982.84, with interest at $700, and include all of those warrants issued between July 15, 1940 and Jan. 1, 1941.

Interest ceases on all these warrants called today, August 7.

Auto Camp Saved From Fire

The fire which called the department to LeRoy Rice's Coquille Auto Camp, just beyond the Cunningham railroad station, endangered all of his property there and was probably saved by the prompt action of a young man who played water from a garden hose on the burning roof of one of the cabins until the department arrived.

The fire started when the breeze blew sparks from the chimney out of an outside incinerator down on to the roof of the farthest north cabin.

E. M. Wilson In Charge Of Smith Plant Retail Yard

E. M. Wilson this morning took charge of the retail yard at the Smith Wood Products plant, succeeding Kilty Martindale, who resigned that position last Saturday.

Weldon Kline To Build Home At Fairview

E. L. Perrott & Sons this week secured a contract to build a house at Fairview for Weldon Kline. It will be along somewhat the same lines as the one Mr. Perrott built for Cal Ray last year.

Nearly Ready To Start Construction Community Bldg.

Chairman Geo. A. Ulett of the new Community Building committee stated this morning that 120 individuals and business concerns in Coquille have contributed to the project sums ranging from $25 to $400 each, and that a total fund of $9,000 from this source is now assured.

Bob Harbison is drawing the plans for the building and they will be ready this evening or tomorrow.

When Mr. Ulett and members of the committee came to a final decision as to where the building will be located, it was for a frontage of 100 feet on the east, with the porch set back 60 feet from Willard street. It will be near the south line of the J. A. Lamb property with the driveway to the myrtle grove on the south side of the building. This will require the cutting down of but one myrtle tree, that at the northeast corner of the present building.

The over-all length of the new structure has been decided upon at 200 to 210 feet. The library and junior room dimensions have not been altered but the main auditorium which will seat around 1600, is now figured at 80x100 feet, exclusive of the stage.

No one has yet been selected to superintendent construction of the building, Mr. Ulett says. Roy Barton of the Smith plant is working on the plans for the lighting system throughout the building.

It has been definitely decided that the Legion Home building cannot be moved to the south side of the city's property but will have to be located near the Scout cabin.

Football Less Than Two Months Away

It may be a little early to begin football news, but Coach "Spike" Leslie handed us the Coquille High schedule for this fall and when school opens three weeks from next Tuesday he will make his call for practice very quickly thereafter.

C. H. H. will have one game under the lights this fall, that at Grants Pass on Friday night, Oct. 31. Other games of the schedule are:

Sept. 27—Bandon, down there.
Oct. 4—Ashland, here.
Oct. 11—Myrtle Point, there.
Oct. 18—North Bend, here.
Oct. 25—Marshfield, there.
Nov. 11, Armistic Day—Myrtle Point, here.

Coach Leslie would not commit himself as to this season's prospects. He will have five lettermen from last year's team as a nucleus around which to build—Wayne Terry, Eugene Crouch, Tom Martin, Don Whereat and Louis Gilbert.

In addition there will be seven who had more or less experience last year—Duane Terry, Jerry Butler, George Holbrook, Hugh Irvin, Don Hurlbutt, Harvey Thommen and Bob Matin.

There may be some transfers also which will increase the size of the squad.

Bible School To Start Monday

The Daily Vacation Bible School will begin its two-weeks session on Monday, August 11th, at 9:00 a. m. in the Pioneer Church.

The School is sponsored by the Coquille Ministerial Association, composed of the Baptist, Episcopal, Methodist, Christian, Nazarene and Assembly of God Churches. Mrs. Alda Nosler is director of the School, and the Rev. Charles G. Brown is Dean.

The faculty is made up of volunteer teachers from the several churches and all boys and girls interested are urged to come.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Berg, Joe and Pats, returned Sunday evening from a most enjoyable ten days' vacation trip to the San Francisco bay area. They spent a couple of days at Carmel and the rest of the time in and around San Francisco.

The calendar says it is just past mid-summer but for the past week or ten days there has been a decided "feel of fall" in the air each morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Estes and Joe Don left Sunday morning on a week's vacation trip to Seattle.

City Council Has Busy Session Monday Evening

The city council held an hour's session Monday evening, after all other business had been attended to, considering the question of water rates which some apartment house owners have complained of since the new schedule was published recently.

After that session, however, the councilmen were agreed that the prposed rates were just and an ordinance will be prepared, establishing the new rates, for adoption at the next session.

The schedule agreed upon was $1 for each apartment or cabin inside the city for the first 1500 gallons and 15 cents per thousand above that. Business buildings with more than one occupancy will pay at the same rate.

Private homes will pay $1 for the first thousand gallons, 50 cents for any part of the next 500, and 50 cents for anything above 1500 up to 7000 gallons.

Residences outside the city will continue to pay a minimum of $2.75 which permits the use of city water up to 7000 gallons.

S. D. Pulford made a suggestion to the council relative to the notices recently sent out to property owners whose improvement assessments are delinquent, that some of those owners could not pay up in full at the present time and that terms be arranged with each delinquent that he could agree to meet.

The idea was approved by the council and those who have received such notices are requested to call at the recorder's office and outline just what arrangements they can make and fulfill.

The question of supplying Sanford Heights residents with water was brought up and, according to the city attorney's opinion nothing can be done for them until their public utility corporation is dissolved and each resident is in position to make a separate agreement with the city.

On the recommendation of the street committee it was decided that that bottleneck at Seventh and Henry street, in front of the Church of God and at the Clarence Barton property across the street north, should be eliminated as far as possible by cutting the parking down and running the pavement to the sidewalk edge at

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Taking Myrtle To Vancouver

J. E. Axtell intends leaving this evening for Vancouver, B. C., to attend the convention of the National Titlemen's Association. With him he is taking a myrtlewood block and gavel, the prettiest pieces of the wood he ever saw, which will be presented by the Oregon Titlemen's Association to the national organization president, Charlton Hall. The latter has visited in Coquille and is an enthusiastic admirer of myrtlewood. Mr. Axtell will return Sunday evening.

Coquille May Have Soap Box Derby

President R. L. Stewart told the Coquille Chamber of Commerce meeting in the hotel Tuesday noon that members of the Lions and Rotary clubs intend taking up with their respective organizations the idea of a Soap-box Derby in Coquille next summer.

The Chevrolet company will probably offer a prize for it similar to the one Johnny Leslie won at the Marshfield contest last week, and it is planned to hold it early enough so that the winner may compete in the state derby at Portland. The winner there has an opportunity to contest in the national soap-box derby in Toledo, Ohio.

Dr. Rankin Taking Post Graduate Course

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Rankin left Saturday for Los Angeles where the doctor is taking a three weeks' post graduate course in Proctology. Before Lloyd Claver left for the south he and Dr. Rankin made a date for a deep sea fishing trip, with that most sporting denizen of the deep, the sail fish, as their objective.

All 6th Column members are asked to attend a meeting Wednesday evening at the Council Chambers in the city hall. Visitors will be welcome.

J. F. Van Leuven Buried Monday

J. Frank Van Leuven, one of the best known and most popular ranchers and dairymen of the lower river, passed away at the Coquille Hospital here last Saturday morning, the cause of his death being pneumonia, with which he was afflicted before entering the hospital.

The funeral services were held at Bandon on Monday.

Mr. Van Leuven, who was 60 years of age, was born on the ranch which he has operated and had spent nearly all of his life in the Coquille valley. He had spent some time in the closing years of the last century on the Mizpah, a Bandon-built boat, during the Alaskan gold rush.

Besides his widow who was Miss Elizabeth Haga before her marriage, he is survived by two sons, William and Raymond Van Leuven, of the lower river district; a daughter, Mrs. Rose Prewitt, of Waldport; a brother, Hoace Van Leuven, of Tacoma; and two sistes, Mrs. Rose Clinton, of Coquille, and Mrs. Laura McDuffee, of Bandon.

Lester Hayter Funeral Friday

Funeral services are to be held at Schroeder Bros. Mortuaries here tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at two o'clock for Lester James Hayter, of Riverton, who passed away at the Dr. Dix ranch on Coos river where he was employed, on Tuesday. Dan W. Brown of the Chrstian Church will officiate at the services.

Mr. Hayter, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hayter of Riverton, was born Sept. 16, 1898, at Arago and was ten months and 19 days past 42 years of age.

Besides his parents he is survived by a brother, Alvin Hayter, of Riverton; uncles, Geo. Steward, of Coquille; W. E. Steward, of Centralia, Wash.; Freeman Steward, of Winchester Bay; Robert Hayter, of Coos River; Andrew Hayter, of Marshfield, and an aunt, Mrs. Alva Lee, of North Bend.

Seriously Injured At Logging Camp

Fred St. Clair, 33-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. St. Clair of this city, had a narrow escape from death the fore part of last week at Albany but when his father left him at the General Hospital in Albany last Wednesday evening the physicians thought he would recover.

The accident occurred at the logging boom when the hook pulled out of the log. The log rolled over him, fracturing both pelvic bones, his right leg in three pieces and his left ankle. He was also injured internally and was thrown into the log pond where he nearly drowned before being pulled out.

Ralph Smith Badly Crushed

Ralph Smith, one of the Smith brothers at the service station at Riverton, and who also operate a logging camp, was brought to the Belle Knife Hospital last Friday in a very serious conditionn. He was on the donkey sled at camp when in some manner it upset, catching him underneath the sled. He suffered a crushed pelvis and leg but is doing as well as could be expected after undergoing such a catastrophe.

Another Apple Tree Has Been Continually In Bloom

Commenting on Bobbie Burns' statement in last week's Sentinel that a gravenstein apple tree on their place was blossoming again with ripening fruit already on the tree, Mrs. Ruby Kirkenhall goes it one better and says the tree on her place has been continuously in blossom since the first blooms in the spring and has only just stopped blooming.

Three Going From Here To Mast Family Reunion

The Mast-Shull-Harmon family reunion and picnic this year is to be held in Yellowstone Park on Aug. 17. R. H. Mast and his grandson, Jack Mast, are planning on being there. H. W. Mast of Lee, will also attend but he is going on a longer trip with Harry Laswell. Besides Yellowstone they will visit Grand Coulee dam, Reno, Nevada, and the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

New Highway Idea May Have Foundation

W. E. Marrion, who came in from Beatty, Nev., last Saturday evening, left for there again Monday evening, but expects to return in ten days and begin opening a quarry on the rock hillside on which he has a lease to the east of the Myrtle Point highway this side of the Coquille Valley Country Club.

He says he has a fine cinnabar mine over in Nevada where he is taking out two flasks of quicksilver a day.

He is anxious to get the rock quarry opened up for he says he had a tip recently that the federal fund allocation for Oregon highways will mean the early relocation of the Coquille-Marshfield section of 101, and surfacing, and according to his idea there may be a lateral highway from Marshfield east, connecting 101 and 99. Highway 101 is too near the coast to be a military road, but a connecting road from the Bay to 99 is a necessity. The present laterals—the Coos Bay-Roseburg and the Umpqua—may not have bridges which will support the heavy defense equipment the army and navy may want to bring in to Coos Bay and southwestern Oregon..

Speaking of the drilling now being done on the Westport arch above the head of Davis Slough, Mr. Marrion said the Coast Oil Co. still has seven quarter sections in the old Boutin tract, under lease from Coos county, which has not been leased to the company doing the drillings.

Speaking of the Coast Oil Co. wells, he said one of those over beyond Fat Elk is now making five times as much gas as it did a year ago.

With electric power soon to be available at the wells the matter of daily pumping out the accumulation of water in the wells will be a very simple matter, just pushing a button at camp headquarters.

Dealers Must Have State License

Evan F. Hartin, of the Oregon Livestock Theft department of the State Police, was in the Sentinel office last Friday to call attention to a law passed by the 1941 legislature which requires that anyone handling cattle, horses, mules or sheep for sale must have the owner's name posted on the building or truck where the sales are made and must pay a $3 license fee to State Department of Agriculture before June 30 each year.

The law is called the "Sales Stable" act and a sales table is described in the act as meaning any vehicle, building place or premises where such stock is bought or sold.

The law was adopted as an aid to the police in tracing stolen stock.

Coquille Motor Co. Is Locally Owned

The Coquille Motor Co. which has heretofore been owned by Broadway Motors at Marshfield, changed hands the first of August and is now locally owned. A. C. Schultz continues as manager of this company which is the Dodge and Plymouth agency for Coquille and vicinity.

Voting Precincts Consolidated

A consolidation of Coos county voting precincts was made by the county court last Thursday. No. 1, Lakeside and No. 26, Tenmile, with a combined registration of 187, will hereafter be one precinct, known as No. 1 Lakeside.

In the Coaledo and Beaver Hill precincts there is a total registration of 64. The combined precinct will be called No. 31, Coaledo.

The other precinct change was in North Bend where the boundary between Nos. 12 and 13, was shifted three blocks.

New State Police Officer From Ontario On the Job

Clair H. Anderson, transferred here from Ontario to succeed State Police Officer O'Mara who was transferred to Salem, entered upon his duties at the local headquarters yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bosserman spent the weekend at Eugene with the Marvin Hopkins and Jackie.