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Coquille Clean-Up Week Set For April 18-25, Incl.

Clean-up week in Coquille, as a part of the civilian defense program, was set for April 18-25, both dates inclusive, at a special session of the city council held Monday evening. The entire personnel of the fire department were named as inspectors whose duties will be not only to look over yards and lots for accumulated trash or grass and brush, but to inspect houses, basements, garrets, and store rooms to see that there are no fire hazards maintained anywhere. They will function before the clean-up week, and the orders are that papers, metals and other matter be segregated into piles of one kind of material or metal in each.

City Treasurer C. G. Caughell was named as the city's publicity chairman for the clean-up program. Fire Chief Ted Snyder, councilman, Geo. W. Taylor and Geo. E. Oerding were named as the committee in charge of the program, and Mrs. Jack Dolan as the salvage committee, to arrange for collection of whatever may be brought to light which can be used in any sort of defense matters—paper, tin, metals, etc.

Mayor Milne reported that the Hooton Electric Shop which is to be closed soon, had a sufficient amount of wire on hand to wire the library room in the new Community Building. The council voted to buy and have it stored until the building is ready for wiring and finishing.

Fire Chief Snyder was authorized to purchase incendiary bombs which will later be used in a public demonstration of what to do should the Japs drop bombs here this summer.

Three bids were opened for fire hose for which the city had advertised. That of Munnell & Sherill of Portland, was the lowest. The order given was for 300 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose at \$1.35 per foot and 200 feet of 1 1/2 inch at 95 cents.

Feeling that some time, as the present Henry street bridge became decrepit, the city might want to make a fill on the next street east, Coulter, between Fourth and Sixth, the council decided not to comply with J. P. Beyers' request for vacation of lots in the gulch there. He had intended buying adjoining lots, the whole to be used for garden purposes.

The only other business done was the allowing of three bills, held over from the March 2 meeting which were for expenses in connection with the air warden's supervision and eats.

Bombing Picture Shown To Rotary

An interesting film showing the proper handling and control of incendiary bombs was shown at the noon meeting of the Rotary club yesterday at the Coquille Hotel.

The film was a talkie and was from the high school and was shown by George Folsom at the projector.

A quartet with wind instruments, also from the high school and composed of Mary L. Woodhurst, Bettie Preston, Sherman Gregory and Wally Moore presented two numbers in a very pleasing manner.

The new management of the hotel was congratulated by the president of the club for the excellent meal supplied, but Lafe was also present and heeded the credit for his selection of a manager.

Harry Nasburg, of Marshfield, was the only Rotarian guest present. Besides the performers mentioned above Jack Martin, of Seattle, former graduate of Coquille HI, and on his spring vacation from Washington University, was also present.

J. E. Norton Filed Tuesday

J. E. Norton, ex-county judge of Coos county, on Tuesday this week filed with the county clerk his application to have his name appear on the republican ballot, at the primary election May 15 as a candidate for county commissioner of Coos county. This should set at rest the talk, sometimes heard, that he was not going to run. He made the announcement that he would run a month or more ago, which should have left no reason for doubt.

Mr. Norton is as well qualified and as able a man as there is in the county for handling a corporation the size of Coos county, and the Sentinel repeats its prediction of a month ago that he will be nominated and elected.

Republicans To Have Full Ticket

There was a splendid turnout of republican committeewomen, committeemen, and of others not members of the county organization at the city hall here Tuesday evening.

Chairman Levi L. Bunch presided and in opening the meeting said he did not believe that politics should be suspended during the war, that the United States had always had the two-party system and that it was necessary for the protection of the rights of all that nothing smacking of dictatorship replace the time-honored system.

The need for getting every republican voter, whose name is not on the voting list now, registered at once was stressed, and delegates from the various precincts were urged to see that republicans—men and women—were nominated for county central committeemen.

The urgency of finding some one to represent the Coos-Curry legislative district at Salem, to replace the present occupant of the office was forcibly brought out and a committee, consisting of Andy Newhouse, J. E. Ax-tell and L. A. Cutlip, was appointed to confer with Geo. R. Dickinson, formerly a Coquille banker who is now manager of the Curry County Abstract Co. at Gold Beach, and persuade him to run for the office, if possible.

The joint representative has always been elected from Curry county.

For the office of Coos county representative, which prior to the present set-up had been that the state senator should be chosen on the Bay side and the representative from the valley two names were suggested but neither of them has as yet consented to run. They were Mrs. L. A. Cutlip, of North Bend, and Harry A. Slack, of Coquille. The committee named to secure the consent of some one to run for that office is composed of Mrs. Cutlip, Mr. Slack, Edgar McDaniel, Mrs. O. C. Sanford and H. K. Hansen.

Secretary Raleigh Greene's financial report showed that there was in excess of \$80 in the central committee's funds at this time.

County C. of C. Met At Bandon

Protection from fire of the Bandon area, where furze and down timber might be the cause of another disastrous fire such as wiped out that city in September, 1938, and evacuation roads from that section were the principal subjects of discussion at the County Chamber of Commerce meeting held in the Minute Cafe at Bandon Monday evening, with 24 in attendance and J. E. Norton presiding.

The decision of those present was that considerable burning should be done before the fire season starts, but it was learned Tuesday that plans for doing just what the chamber urged, were made at the meeting of the county court, mayors and defense council in the court house this week.

Bandon's designated evacuation road is up Lampa creek from the highway, but should the need arise and the army be using No. 101, there should be another road for evacuees in the Bear creek section.

Bandon residents are still working on that problem.

Rebekahs Meet

Last Tuesday was the regular meeting of the Rebekah, Lois Stevens in the chair. Two candidates were initiated, they being Mabel Mitts and Mildred Curtis. The degree staff were lovely in green formals wearing camellia corsages. Mrs. Helen Arney was a visitor from the Tillamook lodge. Those having birthdays in March were honored. Refreshments were served with the special birthday table decorated in keeping with St. Patrick's day. The other tables were decorated with daffodils grown by Bert Gould. The refreshment committee was Edith Gruenwald, Hester Holverstott, Iola Moore and Bert Gould.

Believe It Or Not, It's True

Here's one for the book, or Ripley, or any resident of Coos county who will find it hard to believe.

A representative of the E. H. & F. A. who makes a monthly trip to Coos county, and has been doing it for the past 21 months regularly, has never seen it rain in Coos county! He was in Coquille yesterday but was up the coast when it rained yesterday morning.

Two Cars Ditched By Slippery Bridge Monday Morning

J. E. Norton, popular candidate for the republican nomination for county commissioner of Coos county, was flagged down at the curved Fat Elk bridge on the dike Monday morning as he was coming in to the store. He thought it was a young man but when he got out he saw it was a girl in slacks who was crying and rubbing her arms.

Asked what was the matter she pointed down among the boulders on the upper side of the dike where her car was lying.

"Is anyone down there?" Mr. Norton inquired.

"No, I was alone," was the reply.

"How about the other car?" was his next inquiry.

"I don't know anything about it," she replied. "It was there when I got here."

A black car was lying alongside hers, but the driver had gone.

Coming on to the slippery bridge from Bandon, where she had spent the night and returning early to get to work, she said she was driving at a 30-mile speed, when her car skidded to the river side of the bridge, hit the end of the railing and was thrown across the pavement and rolled over going down the steep embankment into the rocks.

She had presence of mind as she went over and turned off the ignition. She was thrown from the car before it stopped and was bruised and shaken, but not seriously hurt.

"Guess I'm not a good newspaper man" continued Mr. Norton in telling this reporter the story. "It's forty years since I worked at the business and I didn't get her name."

Inquiry among the garages failed to reveal who it was that pulled the two cars back on to the highway and the name of the owners.

The black car accident had probably happened the same way the young lady's did.

Bishop To Be Here Sunday

St. James' Episcopal Church is preparing to welcome its Bishop, the Right Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, D. D., on Palm Sunday, March 29. He arrives to begin his spring visitation of the Coos and Curry County churches. He will officiate and preach at St. James' on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, having visited and confirmed at Emmanuel, Marshfield in the morning and at St. Mark's, Myrtle Point, (his first visit since the organization of that Mission) in the afternoon.

The Vicar of St. James', Rev. Charles M. Guilbert, has been instructing and will present to the Bishop a class to be confirmed by him. An informal reception for the Bishop and the confirmands will be held immediately after the service in the Parish House to which the public is invited, as they are to the service itself.

During his stay in Coquille, Bishop Dagwell will meet with the Bishop's committees of Coquille and Myrtle Point at luncheons and will visit the Missions in Port Orford and Bandon. He will probably leave Coos county on Wednesday.

Farr & Elwood Remodeling Their Store Room

Farr & Elwood are remodeling their store room in the Farr building by moving out the office of Benham Transfer and building a partition separating the hay and feed storage room at the north of the building from the store proper. This will give them much needed room and reduce the dust nuisance from the warehouse.

Benham Transfer has moved into the office with Spike Leslie next to the Coquille Hospital on Second street.

Fast Friday A Looked-For Day

Last Friday was one of those perfect spring days which southwestern Oregon usually enjoys in February but which failed to make an appearance last month. The thermometer still hovers around the freezing point, standing at 30 degrees Monday morning and 31 Tuesday.

Miss Carolyn Perrott, who has been attending O. S. C., came home yesterday for an indefinite stay.

Pumper Test Is Satisfactory

The fire department gave the new 500 gallons per minute Seagrave pumper a very thorough test last Sunday and everything was O. K.

There had been doubts in the minds of some that the water mains would stand up under the strain which the pumper exerts in sucking the water from the pipes but with a 350 pound pressure, the pressure at the hydrant near Gregg's store stood at 75 pounds on the dial, and up at the end of Eleventh street, in the northeast corner of town, the hydrant pressure showed 25 pounds on the dial. This is the same as the pressure due to the reservoir being located at a higher elevation than the hydrants.

During the test on Second street, the pumper was throwing water, through the hose, for a block or more of distance.

This is the first time that the north end of Coquille has had adequate fire protection except for the chemical. The pressure there has been so low that water could not be thrown on a fire except at a few feet distance.

The city is having a pipe fitted up which will be immersed in the river at one end so that fires in the Front street section can be fought with water from the river, and a second pipe, a little further down stream, will be set later as a hydrant from which the pumper draws water after the hose is attached.

All the fire department members express their gratification to the city for the splendid piece of new equipment which will afford better protection for the whole city and its environs.

To Talk On Venereal Disease

The means which federal and state health agencies are preparing to employ in an all-out struggle against venereal disease will be described here on Friday, April 3, by Mrs. George Woodard of the Oregon State Board of Health and Dr. Adolph Weinziri, head of the Division of Social Hygiene Education at the University of Oregon Medical School. These two leaders in the movement to acquaint people fully with the facts pertaining to the venereal diseases will speak to union members here at the Coquille Labor Temple at 7:30 p. m. The meeting is sponsored by the Coos County Health Department.

Mrs. Moorhead, a former Coquille resident is now director of health education of the Marion County Health department. Dr. Weinziri attained national prominence as health officer for the city of Portland, a post he left several months ago to head the new department of social hygiene education at the State University Medical School.

Two talking motion pictures, "In-Defense of the Nation" and "With These Weapons," dealing with various aspects of the venereal disease problem, will be shown at the meeting.

On Thursday night, April 2, there will be a similar meeting, open to the public at the North Bend City Hall.

Ranch Traded For Town Home

County Agent Geo. H. Jenkins, who recently traded his home property on Second street, just east of the Washington School, for the Miller ranch on Cunningham, a mile out of town, moved yesterday to his new home. Herman Floten, with whom the deal was made, moved to the Jenkins place.

John Ross Now At Port Orford

According to a Portland daily this week John E. Ross, former Coquille banker who has been in Portland and St. Helens since leaving here several years ago, is now manager of the Gold Beach Curry County Bank branch at Port Orford. John always did like this section of Oregon and his many friends down this way will be glad to see him again.

Mrs. Vesta Treadgold, principal at the Washington school building here who had been in the Coquille Hospital since last Saturday suffering with a serious throat infection, was sufficiently improved today that she was able to leave the hospital and go down to Bandon to spend the week-end with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Claire Treadgold.

Mrs. Mary E. Cary Buried Wednesday

After months and years of ill health and suffering, a good woman passed to her reward Monday afternoon when Mrs. Mary Ella Cary died at her home on First street.

The funeral services were held at St. Monica's church in Marshfield at ten o'clock yesterday morning and interment was in Sunset cemetery at the Bay.

Mrs. Cary was born in Cadillac, Mich., Sept. 23, 1882, and was just six months past 59 years of age. She was the daughter of Col. and Mrs. William Coach, and she had lived in Coos county for the past 33 years the greater part of the time in Coquille.

Besides her husband, Leo J. Cary, to whom she was married some 35 years ago, she is survived by five children—Mary Ella, of Coquille, Florence, Dorothy and John, of Portland, and Leo Justine of Gardiner.

Mrs. Cary will long be remembered by her friends and acquaintances because of her many good and kind deeds and acts of charity which she performed without any self-publicity during the past.

She inherited a strong will but she was a kind woman and no one ever appealed to her for succor in vain.

Filings For The May 15 Primary

Only nine candidates have as yet filed for the primary which is to be held on May 15 this year, and four of them are for Port commissioners. The following have filed:

Chas. Stauff Feb. 17, republican, for county treasurer.

Ralph Christensen, Mar. 14, and J. E. Walstrom Mar. 19, for commissioner of the Port of Bandon.

Frank G. Shaw, Mar. 14, and Joe A. Larson, Mar. 16, for commissioner of the Port of Coos Bay.

Archie Phillip, Mar. 16, democrat, for constable of Marshfield, district No. 2.

Ennis Keizer of North Bend, Mar. 15, republican, for county coroner.

Ira C. Wilson, Mar. 17, democrat, candidate for constable, North Bend district No. 1.

P. W. Culver, Mar. 18 republican, for county commissioner.

J. E. Norton, March 24, republican, for county commissioner.

Husband Passes In Canal Zone

Mrs. Herman Brown, who was formerly Miss Eula Doak of this city and who returned a month ago from Panama where Mr. Brown had been located, when he was sent to sea with a navy vessel, received word Sunday from the Navy department that he had passed away while aboard the vessel. No particulars, nor the cause of his death were given. The body is being shipped to his old home in Louisiana, where he will be buried.

Jay Doak, father of the widow, informs the Sentinel that the couple were married on the east coast and he had never seen his son-in-law.

Coquille C. of C. Talks Protection

Like the Coos County Chamber of Commerce session the evening before the Coquille C. of C. luncheon in the hotel Tuesday noon was devoted principally to the protection of southwestern Oregon from fire this coming summer. Clarence Coe of Marshfield, chairman of the Coos Civilian Defense Council, was present and told of the preparations now in progress to prevent fires this summer an outline of which appears elsewhere in this issue.

In the absence of President O. L. Wood, Vice President Geo. E. Oerding wielded the gavel at the session.

No, Coquille Was Not Bombed

Edgar McDaniel, publisher of the Coos Bay Harbor, calling the Sentinel Tuesday noon to ask if Coquille had been bombed by the Japs. He referred to the highway corner on Front street where Ole Paulson recently razed the Richfield service station building, which Stanley Fitzgerald operated for many years.

The J. D. Donaldson family, who have been at Independence, Oregon, for some time, returned yesterday and are again at their ranch home near Riverton.

Many Agencies Are Co-operating For Fire Protection

Credit for the wonderful set-up for preventing fire in Coos county this summer, either in the cities or rural districts, is given by Clarence H. Coe, Civilian Defense council chairman for Coos county, to Judge E. L. Peterson and the county court.

The program, which now embraces half a dozen or more agencies, was started five months ago, and Judge Peterson has worked on the program and attended meetings over the state where protection against fire was the theme, indefinitely.

The agencies which are now joined for the protection of southwestern Oregon from fire are the army, the Interior Department, the federal Forestry Department, the State Forestry Department, the Coos Fire Patrol, the county court, the Coos county Chamber of Commerce, the owners of timber lands and the separate communities of the county.

At a meeting of all mayors in the county, with the county court, the week of April 18 to 25, both inclusive, was set as clean-up week. The mayor agreed to appoint committees and handle everything within their respective towns and the court is to arrange for the districts outside the towns.

Attics are to be inspected and cleaned. The reason for this is that should the improbable happen and an incendiary bomb be dropped on a roof it will not be so likely to set a fire in the upper part of the house.

A program for burning brush, down timber, the Irish Furze along the coast and other combustibles during the dry season, has been worked out for cleaning and burning by these co-operating agencies, before the fire season opens.

It is the first time all these several agencies have ever co-operated in one big program. Heretofore there has been more of a tendency to pass the buck, wait until the fire has started, and then argue over whose duty it is to stop it.

Clarence Coe and the county Civilian Defense Council members are deservingly, along with the county court members, for the unified co-operation which will function before, during and after the late summer hazardous season.

Highlights of April 14 Concert

So many are looking forward to the concert on April 14, sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's club, that Mrs. Florence Hallock, chairman of music in the club has asked that highlights be touched upon so the public may be informed as to what is in store for them. The orchestra of thirty members will play classics and semi-classics chosen to appeal to all whether music minded or not.

Mr. Horace Nelson, of Port Orford, an outstanding artist, is going to play solos, including as a special request number, Chas. Wakefield Cadman's "Land of the Sky Blue Water." Verene Bailey, unusually talented pianist, will play the Liszt Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2, accompanied by the orchestra under the direction of Miss Dae. The musicettes have prepared something very different from the usual programs but fitting to this concert. Mr. Dunn and the school board are cooperating graciously in offering the use of the new gym in order that a larger crowd may be accommodated for enjoyment of the program of this fine civic organization.

Left Here Twelve Years Ago

T. M. Medford, a former Coquille groceryman but who has been with Safeway for the past 12 years, was a visitor here Tuesday calling on old friends and checking with Lin Swain, local Safeway manager. Mr. Medford has been district manager for southwestern Oregon and northern California since the first of this year, his territory comprising what formerly consisted of three Safeway districts.

Two former Coquille residents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. True of Broadbent, became grandparents last Sunday morning when an eight pounds, eleven ounces, baby daughter was born to their son, Frank, and wife at the McAuley Hospital in Marshfield.