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Cranberry Plant To Be In Operation Here This Fall

Marcus L. Uram, president of Cranberry Canners, Inc. the national cranberry canning co-operative which owns the warehouse across the tracks from the S. P. depot has been here the past week planning and laying out the floor plans for the equipment which is to be installed in the building this year.

Mr. Uram, whose home is in Hanson, Mass., was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Havey. Mr. Havey is manager of Cranberry Canners' plant in Chicago, which handles the Wisconsin berries, and has been helping with the arrangements.

Machinery for the plant here is now available, Mr. Uram says—it was not last year—and he adds that the capacity of the plant will be increased as the Coos county crop increases. That production will be increased, Mr. Uram is positive, and he is doing his part toward that end by his purchase of 35 acres of bog land, south of Bandon, which is to be put into berries at once.

The government demand for cranberries is greater now than the entire United States production of berries and there will be little left for civilian use unless the output is greatly increased. Those which the government takes for feeding its soldiers, sailors and marines are all dehydrated.

The market on the west coast can use 100,000 barrels, or 400,000 boxes, a year, Mr. Uram stated, and last year's coast crop only totaled 100,000 boxes, just about one-quarter enough.

It is a profitable business, too, after the berries get into full production, and there is still much bog land in southwestern Oregon which is suitable for cranberry culture.

At the request of the local members of Cranberry Canners, M. S. Anderson has been named manager of the Coquille plant. He is now district sales manager for the co-op, west of the Mississippi river, and construction manager.

The cranberry plant at Markham, Wash., which burned last year, is to be rebuilt at once, Mr. Uram stated.

Generous Support Pledged For Eagles' First - Aid Car Drive

Elsewhere in this issue appear advertising endorsements of the Coquille Aerie of Eagles' plan to provide a First-Aid Car, fully equipped for presentation to the city. The merchants and business house proprietors all expressed themselves as felicitating the Eagles on this movement for civic benefit and there were probably others who would have been glad to publicly approve the project but lack of time prevented the Sentinel adv. man from seeing everyone.

The sale of tickets for the dance on February 20, in the Community Building, will be started by the Eagles next week. The proceeds from that dance will be used for purchasing the car and equipment.

To Hold Victory Garden Conference

A victory Garden meeting is to be held in the city hall at Marshfield tomorrow (Friday) at 1:30 p. m., and any individual or rerpesentative of a group or concern who is planning or will plan for increased food crop production this year, is urged to attend.

The raising of all kinds of food supplies must necessarily be increased this year if the boys in the service and the civilian population are not to go on short rations.

The invitation to attend includes not only those living on farms but the city dweller who may be able to cultivate and raise produce on a city lot.

Episcopal Vicar Arrived Tuesday

Rev. Robert L. Greene, the new vicar of St. James Episcopal church arrived in Coquille on Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Greene. Their home, in the first house west of the Wilson Apartments, not being yet ready with their furniture, they were guests that night at the James Watson home.

Elmer O. Howe Passed Away At Early Hour Today

Elmer O. Howe, a resident of Coquille for more than a third of a century, passed away at his home on Hall street this morning at 4:25 o'clock, after being confined to his home for the past three months, suffering from heart trouble and complications.

Funeral services will be held at the Gano Funeral Home on Saturday at 2:00 o'clock, Rev. G. A. Gray officiating, and interment will be in Odd Fellows cemetery, No. 2, beside the body of his daughter, Mrs. Beryl Broad.

Mr. Howe was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Howe, was born in Trenton, Wis., April 11, 1862, and was nine months and 23 days past four score years.

He was married on Sept. 5, 1888, at Big Stone, South Dakota, to Miss Helen Daniels, who survives him. They came to Coos county 37 years ago, after a year spent in McMinnville, and have been residents here most of the time since 1906.

Two of their daughters survive, Mrs. Maude Buell of this city, and Mrs. Gladys Graham of Marshfield. All of his brothers and sisters, except Mrs. Ella Donaldson, of Susanville, Calif., have preceded him in death. He is also survived by ten grandchildren and five great grandcihldren.

Mr. Howe was a contractor and builder by occupation. He was a real friend to those to whom he gave his friendship, a kindly and honorable man and one whose illness brought keen regret to all who knew him.

Rainfall Is Nearly Fifty Inches Now

For the 1942-43 weather fiscal year the total precipitation since September 1st has reached 48.79 inches and is still increasing this morning. By months the rainfall in Coquille was: September, .52 of an inch; October, 2.15 inches; November, 13.49; December, 19.07; January, 11.9, and 1.66 inches up to last night in February.

Running Motor Puts Three In Hospital

Several young people, sitting in a car on Front street Monday night, with the motor running, were so affected by the monoxide poisonous gas that they had to be taken to the Belle Knife Hospital and one of them, Vern Cornelius, is still in the hospital. The others receiving treatment were Aileen Annis, of Portland, and Homer Kellum, with the U. S. Navy, and stationed at San Diego. The others in the car did not require medical attention.

H. A. Slack Heads County Bar Ass'n

Harry A. Slack, of this city, was elected president of the Coos County Bar Association at its annual meeting, held in Marshfield last Saturday afternoon. Tallant Greenough, Coquille, was re-elected secretary and Willard McInturff, Marshfield, was retained in the office of treasurer for another year.

At the annual banquet held in the Chandler Hotel that evening, J. W. McInturff acted as toastmaster, and Collier H. Bufifngton, of Gold Beach, made the address of the evening.

Junior Women's Card Party February 6

The Coquille Junior Woman's Club, which had been planing a Valentine Ball, have had to cancel that affair because of illness and the impossibility of securing an orchestra.

They will, however, go ahead with their plans for a benefit card party in Guild Hall this coming Saturday evening, Feb. 6. Admission will be 40 cents, including tax. Bridge and pinochle will be played, there will be prizes and refreshments, and the resulting cash benefits will be used in furnishing and equipping service men's comfort kits.

Chas. E. Mulkey, son of Coos county's school superintendent, left this morning for Portland, from which point he will be sent somewhere for training. He enlisted in the flying division of the Air Corps on October 5 last year and yesterday received word to report at once.

Will Be Called By Selective Service Soon

The following men will be called into the armed forces by the Coquille Valley Selective Service Board in the near future:

Elmer Goodpaster, Coquille.
Haldean Hubbard, Coquille.
Edwin Meyer, Coquille.
Leon Garrone, Myrtle Point.
Vail Perry, Coquille.
Jasper Dornath, Bandon.
Ellis Button, Monterey Park, Cal.
Ross Costello, Marshfield.
Delbert Donaldson, Eugene.
Russell Dement, Myrtle Point.
Marcus DeLaunay, Marshfield.
Frank Morrison, Myrtle Point.
Claude Pressler, Myrtle Point.
Sidney Van Fossen, Naches, Wash.
John Heffley Bandon.
Norman Morsing, Spokane, Wash.
Leon Embree, Bellingham, Wash.
Robert R. Jackson, Coquille.
Everett Seeley, Coquille.
Donald Brown, Portland, Ore.
Blythe Pellet, Bandon.
Melvin Boak, Bandon.
Reuben Orndorff, Garfield, Utah.
Paul Redford, Bridge.
Ted R. Miller, Myrtle Point.
Lewis A. Edwards, Reedsport.
Benham R. Sell, Bandon.
Wayne G. Caudle, Myrtle Point.
Floyd Mass, Marshfield.
Buford E. Foster, Myrtle Point.
Henry Strickland, Portland, Ore.
William P. Williams, Coquille.
Deadrick E. Quilhaugh, Powers.
Cecil E. Nelson, Bandon.
George Forrest, Portland, Ore.
Guy Ralph, Myrtle Point.
Francis E. Hannon, Coquille.
Ervin P. Jacobs, Bandon.
Robert H. Hoover, Bandon.
James W. Booher, Bridge.
Emil Ellis, Sitkum.
Robert Smith, Powers.
John Dungey, Coquille.
Douglas Warner, Myrtle Point.
Edward Napier, Bandon.
Robert Hull, Eugene.
James Dukes, Myrtle Point.
Donald Goddard, Bandon.
Charles Dabney, Powers.
Charles Pitchford, Myrtle Point.
Jerry Butler, McMinnville.
Hugh Blaylock, Coquille.

Water Will Be Off Sunday

Water Superintendent Epperson states that the city water will be shut off this coming Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, probably for two hours, while the crew gives the water line its customary winter "blowing out." The purpose is to get rid of the sediment and dirt which may have accumulated in the mains.

R. C. Bower Makes Talk On Astrology

R. C. Bowers, Rotarian of Myrtle Point, filled the program of entertainment at the Rotary Club luncheon at the hotel Wednesday with a very interesting talk on his hobby, which is astrology.

Using a blackboard to illustrate his subject, Mr. Bowers gave a brief extemporaneous talk on this unusual subject which held the interest of his hearers throughout the entire time allotted him.

He has made a study of his subject for quite a number of years and while he admitted that the sicence was more or less in disrepute at the present time, he stated that he had found much to interest and entertain himself.

Rotarian guests present besides the speaker were: Jop Morgan, of Myrtle Point; J. E. Richmond and Ed Pflug, of Eugene; H. C. Obie, of Grants Pass. Other guests were K. W. Lindstedt, of Grants Pass; C. E. Stroth, of Eugene; Norman Vance, of Seattle, and Rev. Robert L. Greene and Dick Connarn, of Coquille.

Red Devils Meet Pirates Friday

This week's basketball schedule for Friday of this week calls for the Coquille Red Devils to meet the Marshfield Pirates at the Bay tomorrow evening, while the North Bend Bulldogs go after the Myrtle Point Bobcats in the latters' den.

This is the opening game of the second half of the season, each team having met all others twice already.

Awards To Be Made Next Week For 4-H Club Work

February 6 to 14 has been proclaimed as National 4-H Club Mobilization Week and throughout the nation, civic and other organizations are co-operating by giving recognition to the accomplishments of 4-H club work and are helping to build a stronger foundation for future club work.

During this week in Coos county, awards for the past year's activities will be presented to all club members who completed their club projects. Awards to the number of 456 will be distributed as follows: first year, 204; second year, 114; third year, 66; fourth year, 52; fifth year, 14. The three six year awards go to Donald and Doris McCulloch and Phyllis Sanford, all of North Bend. Two seven year awards are for Gerald Lillie, of Arago, and Grace Nelson, of North Bend. Glenn Gulstrom, Jr., of Arago, will receive his award for having completed nine years of club work.

The success of 4-H club work is dependent not only on the cooperation of the 4-H club members themselves, but also upon leadership and the leaders in Coos county are no exception.

The health clubs with 148 completions were led by the following: Mrs. Sylvia Craine, of Bandon; Mrs. Mary A. Monson, Templeton; Mrs. Ethel Siestreem, Hauser; Mrs. Rex Brown, of Dora; Mrs. Rose Lillie, of Fairview; Mrs. Mary Wilkes, of Sumner; Miss Elvira Olson, Eastside; Mrs. Esther Wilson, Coquille, and Mrs. Edith Doyle, of Randolph.

The Cooking club leaders with 96 4-H club members completing are as follows: Mrs. Ellen Arrell, of Broadbent; Mrs. Kay Greams, of Bandon; Mrs. Myrtle Wright, Mrs. Charles V. Peterson and Colleen Ingersoll, all of North Bend; Mrs. Neva Hallmark and Mrs. Pearl Bailey, of Charleston; Mrs. Minnie Lyon, of Empire; Mrs. George Griggs, Coquille; Mrs. A. R. Morton, Millington; Mrs. Gertrude Russell and Mrs. Marjorie Williams, Randolph, and Mrs. Elmer Strode, of Sitkum.

Clothing projects were completed by the 58 club members due to the leadership of the following: Mrs. Opal Halter, Riverton; Mrs. Chas. F. McCulloch and Mrs. Belle Finley, North Bend; Mrs. Vesta Baker, Sumner; Mrs. Eva Taylor, Charles-

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Another Call For Bundles For America

Many more dollars are needed by the group sponsoring Bundles for America. Several contributions have come in to Mrs. Chas. Stauff, treasurer, since the call for help in the Sentinel last week and the committee is most appreciative. From one quarter came a donation of ten dollars Mrs. Stauff stated. Seventy-five more people are needed to donate a dollar so that the work of knitting and sewing for our service men can continue. If you are not actually knitting or sewing yourself your conscience need not bother you if you have contributed cash to make it possible for others to do so.

Women who have worked with the rummage sales and otherwise helped extensively with Bundles for America are the following: Mesdames F. L. Houston, L. N. Williams, Myrtle Jones, A. O. Walker, W. B. McLarrin, Sam Harmon, W. P. Laws, A. Hatcher, Hominyke, Luther Daniels, Mary Wimer, Batty, Garrison, and Jack Dolan.

A list of garments made is as follows: One hundred and eighty-five knitted sweaters, 75 pairs socks and sea boots, 17 pair of mitts, 13 helmets, 4 afghans, numbers of gloves, scarfs and watch caps. Also made were 12 gowns, 24 snuggle bunnies, 2 emergency kits supplied.

Two More Barges Are Being Built

Two more barges, 120-foot boats, are being built under the direction of Supt. Herman Hongell at the lower river Port of Bandon shipyards at Prosper. They are being built for the U. S. Engineering Department and are expected to be ready for delivery in a few weeks. Work was delayed for some time waiting for delivery of rods and bolts for the job.

Felicitated On 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Leslie celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary last Sunday at their home, with a delightful family dinner party. The anniversary date fell on Tuesday but in order for their son, Keith Leslie, to be with them, the dinner was planned for Sunday. Keith arrived from Portland Sunday morning and returned on Monday. Attending the dinner was the Keith Leslie family and the Earl Leslies, Donna Mast and Mr. R. H. Mast.

However, this was not the end of festivities to mark so important a date. On Tuesday flowers and gifts and cards arrived all day long. The dining table was completely covered with beautiful greeting cards except for the gorgeous floral arrangement which still remained unmoved since Sunday. By night Mr. and Mrs. Leslie were literally surrounded by flowers, a truckload, which had been sent by loving friends. The rooms looked like a spring garden bursting into color and bloom all at once.

Both sides of Beach street were fairly vibrating hospitality and friendliness the evening of Feb. 2. Across the street nearly two hundred friends were calling to honor Dr. Richmond on his birthday and among them were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie. Upon their return home they were visited until late into the evening by friends who had been guests at the doctor's party.

Fire Alarm To Start Ticket Sale

No one should start looking for the fire when the alarm sounds at 11 o'clock next Monday morning. That is the hour and that will be the signal for the kick-off in the Eagles campaign to sell a thousand or more tickets for the dance to be given in the Community Building Saturday evening, February 20.

As has been previously reported the proceeds of that dance will be used to purchase and equip a First-Aid Car, which is to be presented to the city of Coquille.

The fire truck will be decorated and standing on the street, will be frequently announced by siren blasts that the ticket sales is on.

Chairman Larry Estes says that anyone missed by the Eagles' several ticket sellers can secure a ticket at the Tip Top after the sale starts.

Steel Plant For Coquille Valley?

Here's a suggestion that the Coquille Chamber of Commerce might do well to investigate.

Reports reaching here from Los Angeles are that a steel plant is to be built somewhere in the Coquille valley in the near future, utilizing the sponge iron which is found in considerable quantities in Coos county.

Outside capital is interested in the development of such a steel mill somewhere in the valley no selection of a site has yet been made. In fact the matter has not progressed that far yet, but men with means are interested.

Firemen To Give Dance Saturday

The Coquille Fire Department announces a dance to be given in the Coquille Community Building this coming Saturday evening, Feruary 6, with Bob Zumwalt's orchestra furnishing the music. Admisison will be 55 cents per person.

Further improvements and equipment are needed in the boys' sleeping quarters above the fire hall—two of them are on duty each night—are greatly needed and the funds from the dance wil be used to make those quarters more comfortable.

It is another most worth-while project.

$812.45 Paid In Fees In January

Fees received in County Clerk Oddy's office during January totalled $812.45. Of that amount $371.10 was for recording, $169 for circuit court cases, $125.50 for probate court cases, $39 for marirage licenses, and $107.85 from miscellaneous items.

John Purkey left Monday evening for San Francisco to buy furniture and stock for his store here.

Sanford Heights Asks For City Water Out There

A delegation from the Sanford Heights district was present at the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening. Charles Briggs was spokesman for the deelgation and their proposal was that the city extend its water main, with a four-inch main, from Leroy Rice's service station about a third of a mile to the Sanford Heights road, from which point the property owners out there would arrange for all the other mains and connections necessary.

There are 47 users on the line of the Coquille Water Co., a privately owned concern which has not been able to furnish sufficient water for those living in the area, and 40 of the 47 will become city system water users if their request is granted. The present owners will disband as an organization and turn the pipe lines, meters, etc., over to the property owners.

The plan suggested was that the 40 to be served will arrange to read meters, collect from the individual home owners and pay the city at the wholesale rate for all water passing through a master meter which they asked to be installed.

Interrogation of Engineer Gearhart brought forth a statement that the addition of 40 users out there might require the laying of a six-inch main to replace the present 4-inch line from Tenth street to Rice's, in order not to diminish the supply of those living near the high school.

No definite answer was given the delegation but the matter was referred to the council's water committee none of whose members were present that evening.

Acting on instruction from the State Fire Marshal that doors of public buildings cannot open inward—they must be either swinging doors or open outward—First Chief Snyder had notified the Eagles Lodge that their doors on the highway side of their building do not comply with the state regulations which were made following the recent holocaust in Boston.

The city ordinances also forbid that doors swing out acros the sidewalk, and to set the doors back inside the Eagles' lodge room would interfere with arrangements there. It was decided to await the arrival of a deputy fire marshal before any change is made and when he comes the fire chief and an Eagles' committee will attempt to work out a satisfactory solution.

Mayor Wood announced that J. L. Smith is still a member of the Park's Commission, his name having been inadvertently omitted in making up the list of officers and commisisons which was presented at the January 18 session of the council.

The fire department was authorized to take the fire truck down to the old Sitka mill below town at the time the old structure is torn down and burned. Chief Snyder reported that an offer of $500 to the Community Building fund for the building's removal had been made to the department.

Another request of the city fire chief was granted, that he be permitted to increase the number of men in the department from 21 to 25.

Another matter referred to the water committee was that the old rate of five cents a thousand for irriagtion of commercial gardens replace the new rate of 15 cents per thousand.

Mayor Wood and thre councilmen—C. M. Gray, M. F. Pettit and Geo. W. Taylor—were present at the 90-minute session of the council.

Highway In Canyon Blocked One Night

Mrs. Lawrence Gulseth, who had been spending two or three weeks with Mr. Gulseth in San Diego, where he is at present stationed, returned home last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Nosler drove out to meet her at Roseburg and were stopped in the dark, above Remote, by a driver who flagged them down and reported a slide had completely blocked the highway a few miles further on. They went back to Roseburg and spent the night and the highway crew had the road sufficiently cleared the next day so that they could get through.

Synthetic rubber is being used in 38 automotive parts.