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Oregon Historical Society Auditorium

Organizing For Red Cross Drive To Start In March

E. T. Stelle, chairman of the Coquille Red Cross which will start its annual membership drive the first of March, has been organizing his committees in preparation for a systematic and thorough canvass of the community.

Mrs. J. R. Bunch has been asked to secure the co-operation of various ladies' organizations and assign two ladies to each block in the city to do the soliciting so that no one will be missed in this most essential effort, especially this year, to raise funds for a necessary part of the war effort. It is assured that the canvass will cover the community thoroughly.

Theo. L. Clinton and Iris A. Elrod have consented to make the canvass of industries, including the logging camps in Coquille's territory outside the city.

The national drive for contributions will be for the largest amount ever attempted to be collected. Coos county's quota has been set at \$10,000.

Answering questions which are frequently asked, Mr. Stelle says that only \$2.00 out of every \$1,000 collected is used for administration purposes. One-half of the contributions are allocated for use in caring for the men in the armed services, ten per cent is set aside for civilian emergencies, and one-quarter will be used for preparedness. The balance of the funds collected are set aside in each district for chapter use—that is 15 per cent of the total.

The Red Cross does a wonderful work; the division of funds has been made in accordance with the needs as shown by previous experience, and every individual in the United States should dig deep in support of the Red Cross.

First-Aid Car Ticket Sale In Full Swing

On Monday, Feb. 8, at 11:00 a. m. the Coquille fire siren sounded and fire trucks, covered with signs, dashed throughout the city announcing the opening of the ticket sale for the mammoth Benefit Dance, sponsored by the Coquille Eagles. The dance will be given on Saturday, Feb. 20, at the Community Building and the entire proceeds will go into the First-Aid Car fund.

Ladies, who have volunteered their services, are making a house-to-house canvass of the city, giving everyone an opportunity to buy tickets. Small and large donations have been given by persons who wish to help in this splendid project and who, for various reasons do not care to buy dance tickets. These volunteer workers report that they have been courteously received everywhere and everyone seems to be glad to give their whole-hearted support. Several hundred tickets have been sold and it seems assured that the goal of 1,000 tickets will be attained.

No effort has been made as yet to sell tickets in the rural areas but it is certain that families living in the territory for several miles around Coquille will lend their support as it has been officially announced that the First-Aid Car will go any reasonable distance in the county in case of an emergency and it is entirely possible that its first trip could be to some logging camp or farm home in the outlying district.

Tickets are on sale at several business places in town or may be purchased at Fred Bull's office, ticket headquarters. If you live in the country your support is solicited and you may phone or order your tickets by mail.

Flu Hits The C. H. S. Faculty

The same day, Tuesday, that E. E. Leslie returned to duty at the high school after being down four days with the flu, Principal Clarence Osika was kept at home with the same affliction.

"Spike" was not able to attend the basketball games at Marshfield last Friday evening when both his A and B squads took the Marshfield Pirates to a cleaning.

Geo. W. Taylor went up to Portland yesterday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Roeder. Mrs. Taylor had gone up a few days before and will return home with him this week.

A Letter From Huancayo, Peru

Following is a letter recently received by the Sentinel editor from his son-in-law, W. B. Dunshee, which tells something of the higher Peruvian country and the natives and their customs. It was written at Huancayo, Peru, which is about 150 miles distant from Lima, and is at an elevation of 10,000 feet.

I left Lima a week ago tomorrow at 7:00 a. m. on the train, and at 1:30 p. m. when we stopped at a small station called Ticio, was able to put foot on ground at an elevation of 15,610 feet. A few minutes after leaving Ticio we entered a tunnel and reached the summit which is 15,618 feet. When we emerged on the other side we were going down hill. Even at that altitude there was no snow on the ground although it could be seen all around on the near-by peaks which stretched up to 20,000 feet and more. There was a doctor on the train from 12,000 feet on up who traveled up and down the aisles with a huge bag of oxygen and any one who felt the worse for wear was entitled to a free sniff of the concentrated stuff via courtesy of the Central Railroad of Peru. Several people became sick and quite a number took the oxygen although I didn't feel the need to.

When one considers that the railroad was first built by a San Francisco (Continued on page three)

Jurors For February Terms Of Court

Following is the list of jurors drawn for the term of circuit court this month. They have been notified to appear at the court house at 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23:

Dora H. Oerding, Elwyn M. Nosler, Josephine J. Culver, P. O. Lund, C. L. Tuttle, Samuel M. Nosler, Ruth Mason, R. T. Newton, Lorene M. Chard, F. M. Shaw, Ralph S. Taylor, all of Coquille; Boss Savage, Horace Byler, Earl K. Littrell, Ray T. Kaufman, Marshfield; Harold M. Howe, Wesley Chappell, James K. Croxall, M. R. Harris, Robert H. Hunt, Geo. Manciet, Howard Tucker, Bandon; Adolph M. Cooper, Otto H. Peters, Myrtle Point; Milas M. Richardson, Geo. E. Hinze, Harold J. Hickerson, H. F. Frengburg, Walter W. Wyatt, Margaret Perkins, Chas. F. McCulloch, North Bend.

Member Campaign A Grand Success

The membership campaign recently conducted by the Coquille Eagles netted the Order 108 new members. The drive was instituted in order to keep the membership up to around 500 and it now exceeds that number. More than 80 members are now in the armed services and more expect to be called up soon.

The climax of the campaign comes on Friday evening of this week, when the two teams contesting in the drive, together with all Eagles and their wives will enjoy a feed and splendid program at the Eagles hall. The winning team, The Bald Eagles, with Evan Alborn as captain, will eat the chicken, while The Golden Eagles, led by Jack Farris, will demonstrate how to be good losers by eating the beans.

Both teams did a swell job and are to be complimented.

Father and Son Banquet Saturday

The annual Odd Fellows' Father & Son banquet is to be held in the lodge dining room this coming Saturday evening at seven o'clock. All members of the I. O. O. F., whether of Coquille lodge or not, are invited to attend, and Harry Ross says that if any of them do not have a son, or can't secure one for the occasion, he will provide the substitute one with a substitute. Just phone 242L.

\$25 Bond To Be The Grand Prize At Card Party

The Altar Society of the Holy Name Catholic Church here is giving its annual card party on Wednesday of next week, Feb. 17, in the Coquille Hotel. The hour for assembling is set at eight o'clock.

Besides the regular prizes for the various card games, a \$25 defense bond will be given as the grand prize for the evening. Everyone is invited to attend.

National Plans For Better Physical Education Presented

One of fifteen Physical Fitness Clinics to be held in the state of Oregon was that in the Coquille high school building, from 10:30 until 2 on Monday, with 25 physical education directors, superintendents and high school principals from Coos and Curry counties in attendance.

The meetings are scheduled by the state Department of Education although the real sponsor is the national War Department acting with the national Department of Education.

The reason for these clinics, held all over the United States, is that the Army officials, in their examinations of selectees, have found that American youth is not as sturdy as it should be, and the purpose is to develop, starting in the high schools, the strength, endurance, balance, flexibility and explosive power of this nation's youth. Explosive power is distinguished from strength in that it means the ability to throw, which is one of the needs of a soldier in hand-grenade warfare.

The plan as outlined will mean the development, in a physical way, of all the students, not just those engaged in games such as football, basketball and the like, but not the elimination of such games. To build up in physical strength and endurance for all students is the purpose of this new campaign.

A testing program has been worked out to learn how American youth compare with those in other countries in such strength and endurance matters as chinning, or pushing-ups—pushing the body upward with the arms while lying prone, face downward.

The program Monday consisted of lectures and demonstrations, with D. A. Emerson, assistant state school superintendent, acting as chairman. Others who took part were: Dean Ralph Layton, of the school of physical education at U. of O., Prof. Lyle McOee from the same school, Miss Moore, director of girls physical education at University High in Eugene, and Dr. Weinzirl, who is in charge of social hygiene education in the medical school at Portland. The doctor was not at all hesitant in calling a spade a spade in his discussion of matters pertaining to health and the avoidance of social disease.

The group had lunch in the high school cafeteria at noon at which several of those present made talks along physical education lines.

Gillespie Succeeds Webb On Board

A telephone call from Salem yesterday confirmed the report that J. D. Gillespie of this city has been named to succeed E. D. Webb, who resigned, on the Coquille Valley Selective Service Board, which is now composed of L. L. Bunch, of Rink creek, chairman; H. A. Schroeder, of Myrtle Point, and Mr. Gillespie.

Visitor Here From The Atlantic Coast

C. H. Cunningham, engaged in the lumber business, with offices in the shadow of Bunker Hill monument in Boston, Mass., has been a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wernich, arriving last Friday and leaving Coquille on Tuesday. Mr. Cunningham stopped here on his way up the coast as far as Seattle on a six weeks' lumber-buying trip. He traveled south through Kentucky where he visited a son in the service and on to New Orleans and across to Los Angeles. Stopping at California points he traveled to Klamath Falls and Eugene and took the bus to Coquille. He found no inconvenience in train travel throughout the trip. Mr. Cunningham is the possessor of a beautiful baritone voice and has been a soloist in many large eastern churches. Mrs. Wernich was a guest at his home in Winchester, Mass., last October. Mrs. Cunningham visited here four years ago when on a trip to this coast with her husband. Several here met her at that time.

Fred Lorenz, who had expected to leave last Friday for Princeton, N. J., to take training prior to receiving a commission as captain in the U. S. Army, received word the day before, that owing to the crowded condition of the school he would not report until March 28.

Lawrence Rackleff Of Arago Buried Last Monday

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Chapel in Myrtle Point for Lawrence Rackleff, conducted by Rev. Marion Stern of the Brethren church. Pallbearers were: John Carl, Adrian Halter, Ed. L. Detlefsen, Roy Robison, Grant Wilcox; honorary pallbearers, J. H. McCloskey and Wesley Chappell. Graveside rites were performed by the L.O.O.F. lodge of Myrtle Point.

Lawrence Rackleff was born on March 31, 1889, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Rackleff, on a ranch near Myrtle Point. He attended school in Myrtle Point, later moving with his parents to Langlois, where he finished his elementary schooling. He attended business college in Portland and returned to Langlois where he assisted his father in the general store. After it burned he worked for seven years in the Norway Creamery for J. H. McCloskey. He was stationed at Fort McDowell in 1918. He was married, July 15, 1918, to Miss Grace Sumerlin, of Lee. They farmed in Lee where their son and daughter were born. He worked in logging camps and ranched until 1928 when they moved to Loon Lake in Douglas county, where he owned and operated the cheese factory until it burned in 1929. He was Coos county dairy inspector for two years and then was cream buyer for the Golden State Creameries until 1934. During this period he lived in Coquille and Myrtle Point.

In 1934 he moved to Arago taking the position of head cheese maker for the Arago Cooperative Factory, becoming manager of the factory as well as cheese maker in 1937. The factory joined the Challenge marketing group in 1937 after the quality of Arago cheese was established. His death was due to an accident while procuring fuel for the factory. Surviving are his wife, Grace; children, Ellis and Maxine; mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Rackleff; sister, Mrs. T. W. Laird; brothers, Leland R., David E., Melvin M., Donald B., Lowell W., Spencer D., and Paul; eight nieces and nephews and numerous aunts and uncles.

Those present for the funeral were: Ellis Rackleff, U. S. M. C., San Diego; Mrs. Charles Gale, Lowell W. Rackleff, Mrs. Lela Williams, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Laird, all of Klamath Falls; Donald B. Rackleff, of San Francisco; David E. Rackleff, of Coquille; Mrs. Jennie Schmitt, of Aurora; Mrs. Anna Winters, of Portland. Lt. Melvin M. Rackleff, of the Army, Spencer and Paul Rackleff, of the U. S. N., were unable to come because of military duties. Leland R. Rackleff, of Omak, Washington, could not come on account of illness. Lawrence was a member of the Presbyterian Church, American Legion, I. O. O. F., and the Myrtle Point Grange. He was highly respected and beloved by all who knew him well.

C. of C. Endorses The First-Aid Car

A dozen were present for the Chamber of Commerce board of directors meeting in the hotel dining room Tuesday noon, with Geo. E. Oerding presiding.

The Eagles' plan to furnish a first-aid car, equipped, to the city was approved, as it has been by every group to whom it was referred.

Bills were allowed and requests for endorsement or disapproval of bills now before the legislature were referred to the highway and the legislation committees of the chamber.

The bill to require the state liquor commission to pro rate a percentage of its net profit among the cities of the state was endorsed and the Coos and Curry senators and representatives were notified that the bill has the endorsement of the local chamber.

The Unusual Snow Becoming Usual

The second snowfall of the winter Monday morning, did not pile up the depth of snow that this section experienced 24 years ago when it started still a considerable amount of snow of New Year's and there it on the ground well into February.

Blank Warrants, Green for sale at his office

Mrs. Kronenberg Passed Yesterday

Mrs. Otella Kronenberg, a lifelong resident of Bandon and vicinity for nearly four score years, passed away at the hospital here, where she was brought two weeks ago, suffering with bronchial pneumonia, at four o'clock yesterday morning, and her body is at the Schroeder Bros. Mortuary while funeral arrangements are pending.

She was born nearly 80 years ago at Parkersburg, the village which was named for her father, Capt. Judith Parker, who was a sea captain on this coast for years.

On October 30, 1887, she was united in marriage to John L. Kronenberg, who passed away about 20 years ago. Their oldest son also died while a young man approaching his majority.

Mrs. Kronenberg is survived by two sons, Jack, of Bandon, and George, of Vancouver, Wash. The latter is ill at this time and is not expected to be able to come for the funeral services. Mrs. Ida K. Owen, of Coquille, is a sister-in-law.

The funeral services will be held at the Schroeder Chapel here at two o'clock Friday afternoon and the body will be taken to Salem for cremation.

Mrs. Kronenberg had been for many years a consistent member of and a believer in the teachings of the Christian Science Church.

Phyllis McKay, 11, Buried Sunday

Death is always saddening but when it comes to a happy, popular little girl like Phyllis Jean McKay, it is more especially so. Phyllis was beloved by her friends and classmates and her passing at McAuley hospital last Thursday is poignantly regretted by all who knew her. She had been ill for six weeks, suffering from uremic poisoning.

She was born in Coquille, Oct. 30, 1931, and was three months and five days past eleven years of age.

Besides her mother, Mrs. A. T. Richardson, of Coquille, she is survived by her father, R. W. McKay, and brother, Benjamin, of Sweet Home; also by her grandmother, Mrs. Maggie Leatherwood.

The funeral services were held at the Schroeder chapel here at two o'clock Sunday afternoon and interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Former Coos Bay Resident Dies

Harry F. Gordon, who was in the mercantile business with his brother, Lionel, at Marshfield 20 years ago, passed away at Eugene last Saturday evening shortly after returning from a buying trip to New York. He had been proprietor of a woman's apparel store in Eugene for the past 12 years. He is survived by his widow, the former Grace Williams, of Marshfield, their two daughters, and by two brothers.

Grand Jury To Meet Saturday

Judge King, in circuit court here Tuesday, ordered that the grand jury be summoned to meet at 10:00 a. m. this coming Saturday to investigate and consider the several cases which have been referred to it from justice of the peace courts.

Matinee At Roxy Saturday Afternoon

Due to the many requests for a matinee showing of Walt Disney's "Bambi" at the Roxy this week-end, because of the danger of night driving in from the country, the theatre management has decided to present the picture at a matinee Saturday afternoon, starting at 1:45 o'clock. Admission at that time will be 11 cents for children, 25 cents for adults. There will be no matinee at the Liberty that day.

Red Devils At Myrtle Point Friday Night

The Coquille Red Devils, flushed with their victory over the Marshfield Pirates last Friday night, which put them in a tie for second place with the Pirates, are hoping to improve their standing tomorrow night when they go to Myrtle Point to meet the Bobcats for the third time. Each has won one game from the other so far.

Enchanted Circle Travel Pictures At Woman's Club

The meeting last Tuesday of the Coquille Woman's Club was well attended. No better program has been offered this year. Mrs. George H. Jenkins was in charge and Mrs. J. R. Bunch showing moving pictures in color of their remarkable trip last summer taken through the Enchanted Circle. This took in southern Utah, Colorado, western New Mexico and part of Arizona. Priceless views of the four larger canyons, Grand Canyon, Zion, Bryce and Walnut, besides several smaller ones were included. Splendid and detailed was the showing of the ancient Indian ruins and the layouts of the Cliff Dwellers, approached by ladders which Mrs. Bunch says you climb and climb but do not look down.

Other highlights of the pictures were the Petrified Forests and the Painted Desert, the modern Indians and their clever rug weaving. Last of all was the very colorful Pow-wow at Flagstaff held July 3-4-5 once a year. Dr. and Mrs. Bunch, Jimmy and Phyllis, spent one month on the trip. They took three days at Flagstaff for the Pow-wow. Jimmy had expected to operate the machine but because of illness was kept away. Mrs. Bunch both managed the machine and explained the trip.

Seeing the fine film was a definite (Continued on page seven)

Ernest Detlefsen An Army Lieutenant

Second Lieutenant Ernest E. Detlefsen, son of E. L. Detlefsen of this city, was a graduate of the Officer Candidate Department of the Eastern Signal Corps School, Ft. Monmouth, N. J. He successfully completed the course of instruction for Officer Candidates and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States on Feb. 3. He is now assigned for duty with the Signal Corps and will be stationed at Asbury Park, New Jersey, for advanced training.

Mrs. Detlefsen arrived in Eugene last week to be present at the wedding of her sister, Marjorie Knight. Lieutenant Detlefsen, who had planned to fly west immediately after graduation, was unable to come because of weather conditions.

Both The McCarthy Boys Expected Soon

Mrs. M. McCarthy has received word from her son, Jack, now Lieut. M. J. McCarthy, that he has graduated from the U. S. Army Engineer officers training school at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and is now taking an advanced training course in heavy equipment. He is looking forward to a visit home at the end of that period.

Her other son, Edward, who is attending officers training at Fort Benning, Ga., is also expecting to be home this month, coming by air Feb. 22, after graduating from the school and receiving his commission as a second lieutenant.

E. M. Briner At Farragut, Idaho

E. M. Briner, writing from the Naval Training Station at Farragut, Idaho, to subscribe for the Sentinel, says his wife is there now and that they want news from home.

He adds, "As you probably know, we have had quite a bit of snow, and also some sub zero weather. Yesterday there was a very welcome change, for a Webfoot, as we had a good old Oregon rain. However, it is snowing again tonight."

"I am in Ship's Service and as they are not releasing any of the Ship's Service personnel at the present time for sea duty, I will probably be stationed here for at least two months. Hoping everything is O. K. with you and all the folks in Coquille."

Newlyweds Here Wednesday

The newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holzgang, who were married in Eugene Sunday, were able to call on a few friends here yesterday morning before leaving for San Francisco soon after noon. Bob looked very natty in his Navy uniform, and both were extremely happy.