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Committee Meets Tonight To Make Recommendation

Entirely erroneous and unjustified reports have been printed in the press of the state the past few days in regard to the appointment of a Coos county judge by Gov. Snell to succeed Ervin L. Peterson.

Gov. Snell has replied to numer ous letters sent him, in behalf of J. E. Norton, that in view of the many candidates suggested for ap-pointment he has left it to the Coos county republican central committee to make a recommendation and that he will abide by their decision."

The executive committee of the central committee has not yet met nor will it meet until this evening. and a majority has not at any time indicated its preference for the recommendation.

The five most frequently mentioned possibilities for the appoint-ment are J. E. Norton, ex-Mayor R. F. Milne, Commissioner P. W. Culver and H. A. Slack, all of Coquille and Levi Bunch, who resides a short distance outside this city. Mr. Bunch is an avowed candidate fill the

for the appointment. Mr. Norton did not receive enthusiastically the suggestion of many friends that he allow his name to be used, and Dr. Milne had to be persuaded by friends before he finally consented to accept the appointment if it was tendered him. Mr. Culver and Mr. Slack are receptive candidates and would ac-

cept if appointed. The personnel of the executive militee which meets at eight New B. P. W. Head clock in the county court room here this evening to decide upon their rec-ommendation to be made to the gov-ernor consists of Mrs. Minne King, of Powers; Waldemar Gurney, of Myrtle Point; Mrs. R. A. Wernich and Levi Bunch, of Coquille: Senate Wm. E. Walah, of Marshfield; Ralein Greene, of En and Mrs. E of North Bend

Coos county's representative, Ralph Moore, who addressed the Lions Club at Myrtle Point last evening, stated, that there were two Bandon men eing talked of down there for the adgeship - Ray McNair, hardware erchant, and J. H. Fasnacht, maniger of the utility plant there.

Coos To Lose Its County Judge Although it had been known

Salem for two months that Coos' County Judge E. L. Peterson was to be offered, by Gov. Snell, the appointment as head of the Oregon

State Department of Agriculture, at a salary of \$5,000 a year, notice of the appointment and his acceptance came as a surprise last Thursday to his hosts of Coos county friends.

He is to succeed J. D. Mickle who was not a candidate for re-appointment by the governor. Dr. Mickl had served the state for more than 30 years, for 20 of them as state

dairy and food commissioner, and for the last ten years as chief in the office from which he is to retire on May 15, the day on which Judge Pe-

terson will take charge. Ervin L. Peterson, elected Coos

ounty judge in November, 1940, at he age of 30 years, is the son of a Coos county rancher, was born in North Bend, and is president of the Coos Bay Creamery at Marshfield. From 1939 to 1941 he was vice president of the Oregon Dairymen's Asociation and from 1937 to 1941 was naster of the Coos County Pomona

Judge Peterson is well qualified to fill the position to which he has been appointed and both himself and Gov. Snell have been congratulated on the appointment and the wisdom of the

The naming of a successor is prerogative, under the law of Gov. mell

Florence Hallock

The panel discussion last Tuesday night on "How to Check Inflation," sponsored by the Research Commit-tee in the Business and Professional Women's Club, proved interesting That inflation is here and has gone as far as it should was generally adar as it should was generally ad us as total war itself was d. We are definitely con fronted with a potential, tremendous inflation. Buying of bonds by the ople themselves and through rmous taxation, along with withholding tax seemed to be the sum and substances of measures of prevention, accordnig to what one might gather after hearing the some

Coos Co. Quota Is Two Well Known S2,837,300 Of The 13 Long Time Residents **Billion Bond Drive** A second war loan drive gets un

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COQUILLE, COOS COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1945.

der way April 12th. There is \$109 million to be raised by sale of war bonds in Oregon in 20 days, by May This county's quota will be, rough-

ly, \$2,837,300. To reach this goal, every man, woman and child in the county will have to buy a minimum of \$100 in bonds. Mr. Ben Chandler is chairman of

the Victory Fund Committee for Coos county and in charge of the local câmpaign. Every establishment in the state

nploying 25 or more persons will be asked to join in a "purchase equipconcern will be asked to select some piece of army or navy equipm such as a bomber, fighter, anti-aircraft gun-in fact, anything from a battleship down - and purchase enough bonds inside the organization to pay for it. Special cooperation by the army

and navy is providing a plaque on the larger pieces of equipment that credit the source to the group providing the funds.

Coquille's quote in the m bond selling campaign will probably be announced at the meeting in Marshfield this noon, when E. C. mmons, state chairman, will meet with the Red Cross county group.

E. T. Stelle who was named chairman for Coquille and vicinity, has appointed Geo. A. Ulett, O. L. Wood, O. C. Sanford and Chas. Stauff as mbers of the planning co to work with him in laying out th local campaign. Other members the committee named are John D. Carl, Geo. H. Chaney and E. L.

The bonds which this group will licit purchasers for are \$ The dates for the drive are April 12 to May 1 inclusive. It's a Victory drive and everyone who can will go the limit in providing the funds to wipe out Hitlerism and Mr. Tojo,

Plan Active Summer also survive. At Country Club

Pass The Past Week Pinkston W. Laird, known as "Pink" Laird all over Coos county and who

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was one of its most substantial and prominent citizens; died at his home in Myrtle Point last Thursday night.

He had been suffering from heart trouble the past two or three years, but it was only for a week prior to his death that the affliction had emed to be serious.

This writer met him in the ration office in the bank building here early last week and he stated then that the effort of climbing the stairs had seriously bothered him.

Funeral services were conducted at the Schroeder Bros. Mortuaries in ment" campaign during April. The Myrtle Point at two o'clock last Sunday afternoon, Rev. Geo. R. Turney of Marshfield, officiating. Interment was in the cemetery near Norway.

> Mr. Laird was born in Lockwood Calif., sixty-six years ago and came to Coos county with his parents, Mr. Guard cutter..

and Mrs. John C. Laird, at the age of three years. Since reaching manhood he has been farmer and dairyman, operating

the old Laird ranch, was for a number of years cashier of the Security Bank in Myrtle Point and after retiring from that position had been a logging operator, being associated with Roy Garrett in that business until the latter's death.

Mr. Laird owned several farms in the Coquille valley and his busioperations and connections ade him one of the best known, and most favorably known, men in Coos county. He was a Rotarian and member of the Elks lodge at Marshfield.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mabel Laird, to whom he was married a few years ago.

He is also survived by ters by his first wife-Marguerite Laird, Mrs. Ekla Elekmyer and Mrs. Vernita Nelhaus, all of whom reside in Berkeley, Calif., and who came north for the funeral.

One sister, Mrs. Eunice Schroeder of Florence, Ore., and two brothers, Geo. P. Laird, of Coquille, and Warren C. Laird, of Santa Barbara, Calif.,

Thurlow Kesner **Dies While On Duty**

B. D. Kesner, employed at the Smith Wood-Products plant, left Tuesday evening for Seattle after receiving a call from there that his son, Thurlow, had been killed while on air patrol duty with the Coast Guard of which he has been a member for some time.

The call was made by a buddy of young Kesner and in a phone call by Mr. Kesner from Seattle to K. P. Lawrence here last night, it was learned that the plane in which four Guardsmen were patrolling had crashed on a mountain side, that one other beside young Kesner was instantly killed and the other two so seriously injured that they have since died.

Funeral services for Mr. Kesner will be held at the Bonney-Watson Funeral Parlors in Seattle at 1:00 p. m. on Saturday.

Mrs. Kesner was in Seattle at the time, visiting her daughter, Mrs. Robert A. Carter.

Thurlow Kesner, who was 28 years of age, had been stationed at Marshfield not long ago on a Coast

Besides his wife at Port Angeles, Wash., his parents and sister, he leaves a brother, Bruce.

Coquille Girl Starts Soop Run In S. F.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Morrison, wbolive just east of Bandon, write of

receiving a letter from their daugh- Heights home but the property ownter, Loas, who is employed in one ers out there have not co-operated as of the branch postoffices in San Francisco, and who unwittingly fire district, and the city fathers feel started a run on soap in that city. that something must be done. which caused a radio announcement It was decided to wait until the that "an unfounded rumor round San Francisco last night was that soap was to be frozen, but there is nothing to it."

Needing soap, Loas had gone to the drug store to buy a little and the clerk said, "I'll give you a tip, soap is going to be frozen at midnight tonight." She immediately bought \$3 employed in the office whom she could reach, and her landlady, and those several people called up their friends to tell them of the impending Forum Panel "freeze" and before midnight the

soap-buying spree was a tidal wave. At Rotary Club spent \$40 to \$50 she said, and one A Forum Panel discussion of Post girl remarked to her, "Darn you, I'll probably be eating soap until pay day."

Fire Calls Outside City Discussed By Council Monday

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With Mayor Wood and all councilmen present for the regular council session Monday evening; the most important matter discussed was that of fire protection for the Sanford Heights district. Nearly two years ago the council issued an order forbidding the fire department going beyond the city limits except where special arrangements had been made for compensating the city, such as that with Smith Wood-Products which makes an annual payment of \$300 to the city as a stand-by charge. and an additional \$50 for every call to the plant.

The Sanford Heights property owners in 1941 asked that enforcement of the order be postponed and it was twice, the second time until September last year, to give them time to form a fire district which could be assessed to help meet the city's fire department expenses.

But nothing has yet been done toward forming such a fire district out there, although several insurance policies have been written on property in that section which provide for a \$50 payment to the city for answering a fire call there.

None of the councilmen wanted to make a hard and fast rule, forbidding the department from going beyond the city limits, and permit the possible destruction of a Sanford expected with the city in forming a

April 19 council meeting before taking a drastic action, hoping that some suitable arrangement could be worked out.

With eleven names suggested to serve on the city's budget committee, which will meet next month, the choice was decided by drawing names from a hat. This resulted in worth, and then told all the girls L. H. Hazard, J. D. Gillespie, Mogris

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C. of C. Endorses For County Judge

At the regular monthly meeting of the Coquille Chamber of Commerce time something was done and sugdirectors held in the hotel Tuesday noon, the resolution which had been Others taking part were Ed Stelle, ordered prepared at a special meeting Judge Ervin Peterson, George H. of the directors was approved by the chamber. It was addressed to Gov. Earl Snell and requested the appointment of J. E. Norton to fill the unexpired term of E. L. Peterson as county

Besides passing on bills no other business was transacted. In the absence of Geo. E. Oerding, Vice President George Jenkins was in the chair.

The New Pennies **Reach Coquille**

As this writer knows from experience the new pennies will be frequently passed for a dime. He received one from Ed Stelle, just after the bank had received a new shipment Monday, and passed it off at noon for a ten cent piece. We must claim, however, that we went back in the afternoon and bought it back for ten cents.

The new penny soon loses its lustre and one which had been mingling with copper pennies in a pocket for a couple of hours was so black no one could mistake it for a dime, minted.

Ensign Jack Clinton Visited Home Folks

Ensign Jack Clinton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. L. Clinton, who had just completed a four months instruction period at Columbia University, in New York City, left yesterday for Newport, Rhode Island, for further training, after which he will be one of two officers in a crew of ten which operates the very powerful and speedy PT boats in the navy. Jack had a ten day leave and came west by plane and is leaving Portland by Portland on which she left last Saturplane today for the east cost.

what expert handling of the subject. The audience remained highly interested throughout the hour and a quarter of discussion by the panel members. Clarence Osika led the discussion and inclosing said it was gested writing our congressmen. Chaney, Ed Detlefsen and Mrs. Ber-

the Smith. Mr. Stelle announced the month of April will be given over as a time (Continued on page two)

Ted Balcom Goes To Alaska

Ted Balcom, Union Oil Co. manager here for the past couple of years, recently severed his connection with the company and yesterday left for Alaska to be associated with a brother

who operates a salmon cannery in the north and who has found it difficult to secure help. Mrs. Balcom will remain here for two months or more before joining him in Alaska. Mr. Balcom has been succeeded as district manager here by Elmer Knight, formerly of Myrtle Point, who has been with the company at Medford for the past year. He is

married and has two children.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mintoyne were over here from Roseburg last Sunday. Guy was a former Coquille resident but it is only slightly larger than the but has been driving a freight truck, dime and shines like silver when with Roseburg as his headquarters, for year so pack your golf clubs and start nearly 15 years now. He expects to swinging early.

return to Coquille with his wife and two children in a few weeks and will be employed at the M & W Auto Shop Was Coos County on First street

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Barton have re ceived word that their son, Jesse, who was commissioned a first lieutenant in the army a month ago, and who has been stationed at a camp in the Cumberland mountains in Tennessee, has been ordered to Fort Benning, Georgia, to take an infantry officers' training course.

Miss Alice Oerding returned Tuesday morning from a business trip to day.

A meeting of the Coquille Valley Country Club was held Monday night, April 5, with a large number of members present. The following officers were elected for the coming

President-Theo. (Dutch) Clinton. Vice president-John Arnold. Secretary-Treasurer-L. A. (Lar ry) Lundquist.

Membership Committee --- Louis Holimon, chairman; G. W. (Cliff) Tyrell, Fay Osterhout, R. Kringe.

Tournament and Handicap Committee - R. C. Bowers, chairman, Myrtle Point; J. McClarrin, chairman, Coquille; Fay Osterhout, Larry Lundquist. Fairways, Greens and Rules Com-

mittee-Spike Leslie, Bard Kesner, Ralph Kringe.

Entertainment Committee -Harris. Transportation Committee ---T Veri Johnson, chairman, Myrtle Point; Louis Holimon, Coquille. Plans are being drawn up for a very interesting year at the golf course and everyone who wants to play golf should start to play now. Be sure and turn in your score at

the club house so as to make it possible for the Handicap committee to figure your handicap. This should be done whether you ever plan to play in any tournament or not.

A transportation committee has been elected to help everyone in the and from the golf course. The club is looking forward to a busy time this

Clerk 45 Years Ago

Ed Rackleff, who has been visiting in Arago for the past three weeks, was in Coquille Tuesday. Mr. Rackleff was Coos county clerk just before the county seat was moved from 217.02. Empire to Coquille, but has been gone from the county most of the time since. He is now living in Portland where he is employed in a shipyard. L. H. Hazard was deputy clerk under Mr. Rackleff and when the latter resigned the former was appointed received \$1174.33.

county clerk.

Ed Myers Passes At Arago Last Night

Edward J. Myers, a resident of the Arago community for the past 50 years, passed away at his home there last night. He was 69 years of age

past year or two, but his passing was unexpected and came as a shock to his family and friends.

Funeral services will be in charge of Schroeder Mortuaries at Myrtle Point, probably on Saturday, but the date will not be definitely set until word is received from his daughter in Portland.

Mr. Myers was born in Minnesota and has been a painter for much of the time he has resided at Arago.

He is survived by his widow. also by three daughters, Mrs. Stanley Halter, of Arago; Mrs. Wayne Woodward and Mrs. Lawrence Barklow, both of Portland; one son, Oliver M. Myers, of Myrtle Point, and one grandson, Gerald

Woodward. Mrs. Jess Clinton, of Myrtle Point, is a sister of the deceased; Ralph Myers, of Springfield, Ore., and John Myers, of Myrtle Point, are brothers.

Red Cross Total Is Now \$3696

\$945.53

The contribution of Coquille and the surrounding territory has now contributed \$3696.48 to the annual Red Cross drive and Chairman E. T.

Stelle says it is not all in yet. That amount is 23.2 per cent above the \$3000 quota.

The Coquille school district, No. 8,

Lecture Of Christian Warch Tax Turnover Remitted By County Treasurer Yesterday Science April 13 The March turn-over by the tax department to County Treasurer

Stauff on March 31 totalled \$43,- um at 8:00 o'clock next Tuesday

029.26, of which Coquilie received Christ, Scientist, in Boston.

will be no admission charge.

In these jittery days the most casual kidding remark may have untold repercussions.

and had been in failing health for the Twenty-seven New **Draftees Left Tues.**

Twenty-seven young men from this district left on the bus Tuesday afternoon for Portland to be inducted into the service of Uncle Sam.

There were thirty in the list for this call but Neil Peart is in Alaska and Eric Tucker, who has been in Medford probably reported direct to Portland. Floyd B. Peachee, of Myrtle Point,-was the other one who did

The group was in charge of Tallant Greenough, and Board Chairman Levi Bunch gave them a brief pep talk as they were leaving.

In South Pacific

A letter from Bob Collier to his parents here tells of meeting Capt. and they sent some interesting snapshots. Capt. Johnson, it will be re membered, was caught in the war zone when the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor, but managed to elude the enemy and brought his ship safe into an Australian port.

War Problems, conducted by pupils from the high school under the direction of Miss Mary Morris, was the feature of the Rotary Club luncheon at the hotel on Wednesday. The following pupils took part in the forum: James Bunch, Richard Black, Bob Pringle, Dorothy Beagle, Phyllis Litzenberger, Mary Borel and Jack Stiles.

Phyllis Litzenberger and Mary Borel presented their arguments and then the class, with Jimmy Bunch acting as chairman, presented questions and counter arguments, then the forum was opened to the club and numerous members took part in the discussion.

J. E. Richmond, of Eugene, was the only Rotarian guest present. Other guests present were: Ensign Jack Clinton, who left that evening for Providence, R. I., where he will take a ten weeks' course in Navy training; Representative Ralph T. Moore, of Bandon, and a Mr. Emerson and Mr. Straub, who demonstrated a first aid device.

Ted Balcom, who left Wednesday Meets Capt. Johnson afternoon for Ketchikan, Alaska, had as his guest his successor here, Elmer Knight, and Ted was also presented with a Rotary pin.

Jack Clinton told something of his experiences at Columbia University Edward "Bo," Johnson, formerly of in New York and in closing remark-Coquille, somewhere in the South ed that a lot of people from this sec-Pacific. He was also with Bill Pook tion should go east to see how lucky they are to be living in Coos county.

Barber Shop Prices Higher Since Monday

In line with the barber shops elsewhere in Coos county the Coquille shops boosted their prices Monday morning this week to 75 cents for haircuts and 50 cents for shaves.

This is a raise of 10 and 15 cents respectively.

Dr. L. B. Gould Is

tian Science will be delievred by Because of the many calls he has received of late, Dr. G. E. Stark asks money to the cities, school districts who is a member of the Board of the Sentinel to state that he is the and ports. To the cities went \$5,- Lectureship of The First Church of county health physician, but does not hold that position for the city of Co-The public is cordially invited to quille. Dr. L. B. Gould, at the Co-

attend and hear Mr. Browne. There quille Hospital, is the city's duly appointed health physician.

evening, April 13, a lecture on Chris- Coquille Health Physician

Yesterday Mr. Stauff mailed checks for their share of the tax Harry C. Browne, of Boston, Mass.,

In the Washington school auditori-

not report here.