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Re-opening Of The Plywood Plant Is Still Uncertain

The walk-out, or cessation of work at the Plywood plant here, has resulted in the shutting down of that plant for an indefinite period.

There has been a scarcity of peeler logs for operating the plywood plant any way and this week the fir mill was put on a ten-hour basis, thus using what logs are on hand.

The shut-down last Friday morning when the stay-out went into effect follows the action taken by the Plywood local last December 26 when the following letter was addressed to Geo. A. Ulett by L. R. Hickenbottom, recording secretary of the union:

"I have been instructed by Plywood & Veneer Workers Union, No. 2691, to advise you the Union took action at the last meeting to cancel our present working agreement as provided in Section 1, Article 19." According to the agreement this made the cancellation date of the Union's contract with the company effective March 1 of this year.

A representative of the War Labor Board from Portland came in later and after a conference between him, the plant management and the bargaining committee of the local, a new contract was agreed upon, which the union failed to ratify.

Then on March 17 Mr. Ulett sent the following letter to the Plywood local:

Plywood & Veneer Workers Union No. 2691, Coquille, Oregon.

Gentlemen: So that there may be no misunderstanding between our Plywood employees and the company, we wish to have it distinctly understood that no contract exists between local union No. 2691, and this company.

On December 26 your union notified the company that you took action.

Candidate For School Director

Whether the two possible candidates for school director at the June 21 election, suggested in the Sentinel last week, are willing to serve a five-year term should they be elected, there is one well-known Coquille merchant who is willing to serve if chosen. He is Orvin T. Gant, grocer, for whom a petition, nominating him for the office, was filed last Thursday.

The election is to be held next Monday at two o'clock in the afternoon.

The school meeting to discuss the budget for next year and to vote on the question of exceeding the six per cent limitation by \$13,265.80 for the general fund, and \$1130 for the bond interest and sinking fund, or a total of \$14,395.80, will be held at 7:30 in the evening.

Both meetings will be held in the high school building.

Two Smiths In Circuit Court

Judge King last Thursday revoked the parole of Howard Smith and ordered that he be taken to the pen to serve the three-year sentence imposed July 25, 1939, for writing N. S. F. checks. He was guilty of the same offense again and remarked to Sheriff Howell, who took him to Salem Monday, that he had better drop him at the asylum.

Charles Frank Smith, who had pleaded not guilty to driving a car while intoxicated, changed his plea Tuesday to that of guilty. Judge King sentenced him to 60 days in jail and fined him \$100, the sentence to be suspended upon payment of the fine.

How Contestants Stand Today

Secretary Caughell reports the standing of Victory Girl contestants this morning, with Avis Ricketts, B. & P. W. candidate not yet reporting, as follows:

Mavis Tyrrell, Woman's Club, 4200.
Patricia Berg, Rotary, 7900.
Betty Emery, Lions, 1500.
Jessie Sherwood, Jr. Women, 3600.
Janet Lewis, Eagles, 6500.
Arlene Homenyck, Local 2770, 3,000.

Clarence Caudle, U. S. Marine, Here On Sick Leave

To go through 34 days of jungle fighting with the Japs on Guadalcanal last February without receiving a scratch and then to suffer twelve recurring attacks of malaria, was the experience of a Coquille young man who arrived home Sunday from San Diego on a 36-day sick leave.

He is Clarence Caudle, son of T. J. and brother of Ambrose Caudle, who enlisted in the Marine Corps in February, 1942, two months after Pearl Harbor, when he was 20 years of age.

In this reporter's talk with Mr. Caudle, he mentioned that the last thing said to him as he was handed his leave papers was, "Don't talk and do no broadcasting."

He could, however, tell some items which have no military significance.

He was with the second landing of Marines on Guadalcanal—the island is over 90 miles in length—after the beachhead had been established, and for 34 days his outfit fought their way through the jungles to the Jap end of the island, only to find that many of the enemy had been removed by submarines from the Jap's tip of the island.

After the complete capture of the island, his outfit was based on New Zealand and due to the rain, the heat on Guadalcanal and the cooler New Zealand climate, he was in the hospital a dozen times with malaria. Thirty-five of his outfit, either ill or wounded came back to the United States when he did.

Clarence's statement that Jap women were used as snipers was a surprise. He mentioned one woman who lived four hours after being shot and captured who spoke perfect English and was a graduate of Ohio State University.

These snipers—of both sexes—are

Germans Happy To Be In United States

Mrs. A. A. Kyle received a letter Saturday from her son, Howard, "Buddy," who enlisted in the Navy in January, 1939, and intends to reenlist next January for the duration. The letter was written in New York just after his return from England on a troop transport vessel which brought 3,000 German prisoners as well as wounded U. S. soldiers. Some of the latter died at sea on the way over.

"Buddy," who does not smoke, says the Germans were most appreciative of the cigarettes he would give them from his weekly allowance of "fags." He also said that when they came in sight of the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor, the prisoners almost went wild; they shouted, sang and prayed, and displayed the greatest enthusiasm at arriving in the "land of the free."

"Buddy," who was one of the survivors when his ship was torpedoed in Alaskan waters some time ago is investing the greater part of his pay in U. S. bonds and there are probably very few boys of 20 years who have as many hundreds of dollars invested in U. S. war bonds as he has.

Five From Beulah Attending Grand Chapter In Portland

Last Thursday evening Beulah Chapter, O. E. S., initiated three candidates: Mrs. Lucille Walker, Mrs. Margaret Russell and John Geiter. A patriotic program was enjoyed under the direction of Mrs. Leona Bryant. Mrs. Bertha Smith read a very interesting tribute to the flag of our country entitled "The Flag." Mrs. Mildred McCune received the attendance award. Following the meeting refreshments were served in the banquet hall. The long tables were decorated attractively, carrying out the patriotic motif.

Members from Beulah Chapter attending the sessions of the Grand Chapter in Portland are: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Mrs. Maxine Jeub, Grand Elects; Mrs. Leona Bryant and Mrs. Edith McNelly.

Wayne Watson Buys The Valley View Dairy

Mrs. A. M. Willey, who has just sold the Valley View Dairy to Wayne Watson of the Sunset Dairy, expects to leave this week for San Francisco. Her husband, who is in a Marine Tank Corps at a camp near there, has been injured but the message did not say how seriously.

County Cannery To Be Operated—Other Coos County Items

The county cannery is to be operated for the benefit of the public this year, if the people desire it. It is suggested that in order to conserve food from victory gardens, people in the various communities get together through their clubs or other organizations and plan their contemplated canning needs. It will be necessary for them to prepare their own food products ready for the can and to furnish the labor necessary at the cannery. All canning will be done under direction and supervision of F. C. McNelly, superintendent of the county farm. A standard charge per can will be made. All arrangements should be made with Mr. McNelly well in advance.

The recent county grand jury, after completing its work in Circuit court, inspected the county farm of which F. C. McNelly is superintendent and in their official report to the court stated that they found it in excellent condition and properly managed. The grand jury also inspected the county jail and reported finding it in very good condition. They recommended the purchase of blankets to be used in the jail, also refrigeration, if and when available. The jury was composed of S. M. Nosler, chairman; Dora H. Oerding,

Pioneer Association To Meet Here June 19

A call meeting for the transaction of important business has been arranged by the president of the Coos and Curry County Pioneer Association, Mrs. Mary Randeman, for Saturday, June 19, at one o'clock in the Coquille city hall.

Three main issues are to be discussed: The proposed constitution and by-laws will be presented by the committee appointed at the April meeting consisting of L. H. Hazard, Chas. Stauff and J. E. Norton. Articles of incorporation drawn up by James Watson will be presented by him.

Plans for the regular annual meeting to be held the last Sunday in July will be discussed. Everyone interested in the Pioneer history of Coos and Curry counties, whether a pioneer or not, is welcome to attend this meeting.

Inez R. Chase, Secretary-Treasurer

A Start Made For A Boys' Club

Progress is being made on the organization of a Boy's Club in Coquille. Mrs. Jack Dolan called a meeting of the representatives of the several organizations which are co-operating in sponsoring such a club in the city hall Monday evening. After discussing the many possibilities and features of such a project a committee consisting of B. W. Dunn, Evan Alborn and J. S. Barton, was appointed to investigate and estimate the probable initial and operating cost of such a club and they are to report back to an executive meeting on Monday, July 12.

Points and Meat Not All The Camp Fire Girls Lost

The Coquille Camp Fire Girls group which spent several days in the Richmond cabin on the bluff at Bandon last week were out more than their meat and the points it took to get it when a dog ran off with their meat.

Perhaps they were sea-dogs, or perhaps they were Army spotters which found a light in the cabin at night, in violation of dim-out regulations. At any rate the girls had to fork over payment of a fine for the violation!

It Was A Big Log Drive For Month of June

An unusual occurrence during the month of June was the log drive from the East Fork early this month when a couple of million feet of logs were driven to the Smith-Wood-Products plant here. "Dutch" Clinton and a crew of 15 brought the logs down and he said it was quite different to see the willows in full leaf along the banks as the logs floated by.

Two Full Days Being Planned For July Fourth Celebration

Seven Victory Girl contestants are vying for the coveted honor of Queen of Coquille's forthcoming three-day Victory celebration.

All contestants will blossom out this week in beautiful uniform costumes of patriotic motif. They will wear red, white and blue pleated skirts of rayon-cotton poplin, with stripes running up and down and the red and blue stripes pleated under the white. White silk blouses with a red and blue shoulder sash and red, white and blue ribbons worn in the hair complete the costume.

All sponsoring organizations are solidly behind their choice for this honored position and are working hard for the success of their particular candidate.

Victory Girl contestants and their sponsoring organizations are as follows:

Janet Lewis, sponsored by F. O. Eagles and Auxiliary.

Avis Ricketts by the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Betty Emery by Coquille Lions Club.

Patricia Berg by Coquille Rotary Club.

Mavis Tyrrell by Coquille Women's Club.

Jessie Sherwood by Junior Women's Club.

Arlene Homenyck by Sawmill and Timber Workers Local No. 2270.

Individual pictures of these candidates will be published in newspapers throughout the county from now until the contest closes. A re-group picture of all candidates will appear in the July 1, issue of the Sentinel.

River Sports To Be New Feature

The Sunday afternoon river sports program will be an outstanding feature of this year's Victory celebration. The boat parade will be led by the 28-foot cabin cruiser, "Doona," belonging to Dr. Jack Rankin, which will carry the queen and her court. Dr. Rankin is having this deep sea sport fishing boat repainted for this gala occasion and it, together with

Five Weasels Killed In One Den

The Glen Richardson family at Fairview made quite a killing last week when they caught four weasels in a trap, the old "papa" and three practically grown young ones. A day or two later they also caught the mother in the same trap. That is one for Ripley as it is almost unheard of to capture more than one in a single trap, the smart rodents usually leaving the vicinity when one is caught.

Leonard Ensele Married In Montana

Mrs. May Ensele announces to her Coquille friends the marriage of her son, Staff Sergeant Leonard C. Ensele, to Martha Lee Dunlap, of Wellsburg, W. Virginia. The couple were married May 24 at the Methodist church of Glasgow, Montana, and then flew to Portland for a meeting with the groom's mother, Mrs. Ensele. Leonard left the following morning by plane for an eastern air base. On the 10th of this month, he wired he was ready to take off for overseas duty. He already has had six months in foreign service, having returned last October to the United States. He wears a gold V on his left sleeve which is the insignia for six months of foreign service. Leonard is a radio operator on a V-17 flying fortress. His wife returned with Mrs. May Ensele to remain here for the duration, and has taken a position with the West Coast Telephone company.

Coquille To Have Booths For Bond and Stamp Sales

Mrs. Albert Powers, Jr., Coos county chairman of war bonds and stamps sales in women's organizations, writes to the Coquille local clubs do not meet in summer, please plan to have at least two Bond Booths open Friday and Saturday in convenient down town locations. She adds, "The Central Labor Council asks our aid in buying a Coos County Fighter plane this month." It is planned to follow this request for down town booths in order to keep women's stamp sales booming.



MISS BETTY EMERY
Lions Club Victory Girl Candidate

Geo. Ulett Tries Hand at Flying

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Ulett, who returned last Wednesday from their three-weeks eastern trip, found it quite warm, really hot, in Chicago and Kansas City. At their old home in Waltham, Mass., they visited his father who is 92 years of age and in better health than he was a year ago. They also visited Mrs. Ulett's brother and sister.

They stopped three or four days on their way east and visited with their son, Ensign Wm. G. Ulett, and with Ralph L. Smith, at Kansas City. Will is an instructor in aviation at the training camp at Olathe, Kans., but he has his own plane and took both his parents up for flights. When they stopped there on their way home Will took Mr. Ulett up again and, in the double control plane, allowed his father to fly the ship for several miles. It gave the elder Ulett quite a thrill.

They also visited the Ralph L. Smith farm of ten or twelve thousand acres, near Chillicothe, Mo., and saw Mr. Smith's prize Jersey herd and one cow which comes pretty close to having the production record in the United States with 900 pounds of butterfat a year. Another of his herd is crowding that record, too.

Mr. Ulett says it is the first time they have been east in the spring since coming here 14 years ago and they found the country and its greenery most beautiful. They thoroughly enjoyed the whole trip.

Coquille Has Another Three-Star Family

All three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin will be in the service of Uncle Sam by July 6, when Bob will leave for training. Tom is all signed up now for a course at the University of Washington. He is only seventeen and will not have his 18th birthday till next year. He goes into Naval aviation with eight months' school first.

Jack, who had been studying at the U. of W., with plans to attend for three years at Harvard and become an economic professor, is now taking intensive study and will later be of service to his country in an engineering capacity. Jack is now taking six weeks' basic training at Miami, Florida, after which he expects to take 39 weeks of engineering at Citadel, the southern military school. He will be given a course of concentrated work somewhere along the line which will equal a four-years' college course. Although engineering had not been in his plans for life, he likes the idea so well that he has now decided to follow it after the war is over. Jack rated an unusually high I. Q. and for this reason was selected for the engineers' training. He has written his family he expects to start his classes July 13th. He adds that "army life is great, and I like it."

Woman's Club Membership Drive Is Now On

Mrs. O. C. Sanford asks all Coquille women to cooperate with the collection of dues and the drive for new members. The committee is at work and reports good response.

Mr. and Mrs. Drue Cunningham left on Tuesday, this week, for Vale in eastern Oregon, where they expect to spend the summer, while Drue builds a new barn on their ranch. They did not rent their home here on Tenth street and intend returning to Coquille in the fall.

Les Child returned Monday from Grants Pass where he spent the week-end.

The City Budget Practically Same As A Year Ago

The public hearing on the Coquille city budget is scheduled to be held in the council chamber at 8:00 o'clock in the evening of the first council session in July—the 6th. At that time any and all objections which may be made to the budget, as published in the Sentinel June 10 and 17, will be heard, considered and passed upon.

The budget, as prepared, estimates the general fund expenses, from July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1944, at \$35,799, and the water fund expenses at \$29,290, for a total of \$65,089. Estimated receipts by the general fund for the year was set at \$8,102.60 and for the water fund, \$29,290; making a total of \$37,392.60. This leaves \$27,696.40 to be raised by taxation on property in the city, which is \$51 more than the \$27,445 raised by taxation for the July 1, 1942, to June 30, 1943, fiscal year.

The total indebtedness of the city a year ago was \$114,492.43—water fund \$90,119.33 and general fund \$24,373.10. This year the city's total debt is \$11,389.12 less, or \$103,103.31, as of April 1, of which \$84,000 is on the water fund and \$19,103.31 on the general fund.

The water fund debt is in three bond issues, while the general fund debt is \$10,000 in general fund bonds, \$6,000 Community Building Fund bonds, and \$3,103.31 in improvement bonds.

It is expected that the \$10,000 general fund bonds will be called about July 1, and \$900 of the \$3,103 improvement bonds will also be called about that time.

Altogether the city is getting in better financial condition every month and its total debt should be wiped out as soon as the outstanding bonds can be called.

Royal Neighbors Convention Held Here Yesterday

The Royal Neighbors Coos county convention, held in the Odd Fellows hall here yesterday, started at 10 o'clock in the morning and closed with a session which was open to the public in the evening and which was attended by many visitors.

The lodge room had been beautifully decorated by the ladies of the R. N. A., white roses and flowers that carried out the purple and white emblematic colors of the lodge being used, with also a patriotic combination of red, white and blue.

Distinguished officers and visitors present included Mrs. Mae E. Logan, state supervisor from Portland; District Supervisor Ann Montgomery, from Marshfield; Mrs. Cora Rickman, of Miami, Okla.; Mrs. Rose McAdams, of Portland; sixteen representatives from Myrtle Point, and others from the county.

One of the features of the morning

Lost Their Plane Reservations East

Word has been received that Mrs. Irene Boyle of the Lorenz Department Store and her daughter, Jeanne, reached New York City safely. Their plans were changed when the War Department took over all flights east by plane until the 14th of June. They got as far as Salt Lake City by plane and there transferred to a train. They expected to be in New York Tuesday but did not arrive until Friday morning. Mrs. Boyle started right to work buying merchandise for Lorenz Department Store. Jeanne stayed in New York over Saturday to hear Harry James' Band and then took a train to Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Daley. Mrs. Boyle expects to be in New York two weeks, buying for Lorenz, and then she, too, will join her daughter in Wilkes-Barre. They expect to return to Coquille in the early part of July.

On Fall Buying Trip

Mr. and Mrs. McMitchell of the Hallock Dress Shop left Saturday, June 12, for San Francisco and Los Angeles. They have gone to do the fall buying for the Dress Shop and expect to be away until the middle of July.