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THE PAPER THAT'S LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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\$2.00 THE YEAR

Coquille Bond Quota Two-Thirds Sold--- Big Rally Saturday

An Invasion Bond Rally, to be held in the Community Building here at 7:30 this coming Saturday evening, Sept. 25, has been arranged by Bob Harris, appointed last week as Coquille Bond drive chairman, and the committees working with him.

Ray Jeub has been named as auctioneer for the rally when a lot of surprise packages will be awarded to those buying bonds. Besides many prizes to be donated by Coquille merchants and others there will be boxes of 12-gauge shot gun shells and a case of beer to be awarded to those who buy bonds of various denominations. Just how this auction sale is to be conducted has not been announced but there will be a lot of entertainment along with the bond bidding. The program includes novelty performances by well known local people, music and entertainment of a nature that no one will want to miss.

Local groups are assisting in this splendid entertainment program. Geo. H. Jenkins is representing the Granges and rural groups, Mrs. Wm. H. Barrow is general chairman of the four women's organizations which are co-operating, and Frank W. Martin is general chairman for the merchants and other male groups.

It has now been learned that Coquille's quota for this Third Bond campaign is \$250,000 and up to last night, \$185,425 of bonds had been sold, and there are many pledges by those who will take bonds which will increase that figure.

The Coquille post office reports sales up to last night at \$20,725; the First National Bank's sales aggregate \$85,700 and there is besides the \$50,000 allocated by the Oregon Mutual Life Insurance Co., which Geo. P. Laird places for Coquille credit.

Up to last night's close of business, the Coos county quota of \$2,103,900 was a little more than half subscribed; the total as reported by E. T. Stelle, who had been devoting a great deal of his time in the bank to handling bond purchases, is \$1,088,080.25.

The above county figure includes numerous large out-of-county allocations to Coos county which were placed through the Marshfield committee and the showing of Coquille, where only the one allocation has been credited, is quite remarkable. The \$185,425 reported as of last night is practically two-thirds of this city's quota, being 66 plus per cent of the \$250,000 which it is expected to be and which will be subscribed here and throughout the surrounding country.

Coos County To Buy \$40,000 Bonds

The county court on Tuesday instructed County Treasurer Stauff to purchase \$40,000 worth of the third War Loan bonds and to allocate them, for credit, among the several towns in the county, according to those town's portions of the \$2,103,900 county quota.

J. C. Penney Co. Buys Ten Thousand In Bonds Here

The J. C. Penney Co. organization is buying ten million dollars' worth of this month's Invasion Bonds — the third War Bond issue. Of this amount \$10,000 has been allocated to Coos county and the local J. C. Penney store gets \$2,000 of it. Manager F. W. Martin has placed Coquille's share of the ten millions through the Coquille Woman's Club of which Mrs. Wm. H. Barrow is bond sale chairman.

Gant's Grocery Advertises Only Three Deliveries A Week

In order to comply with more foolish O. P. A. regimentation regulations, Gant's Grocery is advertising this week that hereafter the store will make but three deliveries each week, on Monday, Thursday and Saturday. No deliveries of less than five pounds is permitted.

Coquille Grange Booster Night, September 24

Coquille Grange members are again reminded of the regular meeting tomorrow, Friday, Sept. 24, which is also Booster Night for the local. The Worthy Lecturer has arranged for a splendid program and it is hoped all members will attend.

H. S. Must Have New Heating Plant

The directors of Coquille School District, No. 8, at their meeting last evening, voted to secure the services of a heating engineer to make estimates and recommendations for a new heating system in the high school. The state boiler inspector, on his recent visit here, condemned the present system.

The board voted to match funds, about \$105, with the high school bond for the repair of present instruments and the purchase of others, which are needed by the band, but which are not instruments that a player would take home.

The salary of the high school principal was set at \$2700 per year and a contract was signed with B. W. Dunn for transportation of pupils from the Coaledo section to Coquille.

While Mr. Dunn is improving at the Mast Hospital, he will not be able to come home for a week or more and must then remain quiet for some weeks more.

Get Our Summer In September

While many thermometers which were affected by radiated heat on Tuesday stood at a higher point, the Sentinel's gauge, which is hung on the north side of a house, 20 feet above the ground, registered a maximum of 83 degrees Tuesday afternoon. This was the warmest day of the year, three degrees higher than the maximum three weeks ago.

To those who have been complaining that the Coquille valley has not had any summer this year, it can only be said that the 1943 summer is coming in the fall.

Yesterday the thermometer went on to break Tuesday's summer record by registering an 87 degree maximum. More than likely that is the peak of our summer this fall for indications are for a decided change almost any hour now.

Expect Large Class Shrine Ceremonial

Paul Ryning, of Medford, potentate of Hillah Shrine Temple at Ashland, was in Coquille last week-end checking the Community Building and its equipment prior to the Shrine ceremonial to be held there on Saturday, Oct. 23. He expressed his greatest approval, declaring it to be a better arrangement than many of the halls used when away from the temple—usually in armories.

He stated that all the uniformed bodies of Hillah will be present on the 23rd when a class of upwards of 400 novitates will be inducted into Hillah Temple.

K. P. Lawrence, in charge of local arrangements, asks the Sentinel to add that any Shrine member, no matter to what Temple he belongs, will be welcome to attend the Ceremonial.

Father of Geo. F. Burr Buried Tuesday

Councilman Geo. F. Burr went over to Klamath Falls last week-end to attend the funeral of his father, H. T. Burr, who passed away at the hospital there last Friday. The funeral services were held at Tule Lake on Monday and the body was taken to Damascus, Oregon, for interment.

Mr. Burr, who was born in Washington, about 75 years ago, lived in Myrtle Point some 25 to 30 years ago, but has lived in the Tule Lake section since.

Besides George he is survived by five sons and daughters—Henry Burr of Coquille, Mrs. Clark Fensler of Tule Lake, Mrs. Ruby Gaston of Seattle, Roger Burr of Astoria, who is in the Coast Guard at Seattle; Mrs. Gladys Wohlagen of Damascus; ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

George Burr is expected home this evening or tomorrow.

Public Auction At Lee Sunday, September 26

Note the advertisement of a Public Auction on page eight of this issue. The sale will be held next Sunday, the 26th, at the Alfred Daniels ranch in Lee Valley. Stock, hay, machinery and autos are included in the list.

L. G. Ray last Saturday made a deal for the purchase of the former C. C. Farr house on Spurgeon Hill, which has more recently been owned by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ziedrich. Mr. Ray will make it his home.

Coos Municipalities 1943-44 Tax Levies And Other Statistics

County Assessor Chas. W. Forrest furnishes the following statistical information as to the 1943-44 tax levies for Coos county and the municipalities in the county and a comparison of the levies for the preceding three years:

Municipality	43-44	42-43	41-42	40-41
Coos County	14.8	15.0	13.2	18.9
Coquille	46.9	55.5	52.1	65.2
Marshfield	50.9	53.3	45.5	62.1
North Bend	60.5	60.1	55.0	73.7
Eastside	35.9	50.1	39.2	75.0
Empire	37.8	51.2	58.8	84.7
Bandon	59.3	57.7	48.3	55.7
Myrtle Point	39.6	54.0	47.1	58.9

These levies for 1943-44 were compared back as far as 1919 by this office, and, with the exception of Bandon and North Bend the levies are the lowest since that time and, in some cities these levies are perhaps the lowest in their history.

The assessed valuation for the city of Coquille for 1943-44 is \$1,494,396, as compared with the 1942-43 valuation of \$1,490,980, an increase of \$3,416.

The city levy for the coming year is 18.6 mills, an increase of .1 of a mill over last year's levy.

Coquille school district, No. 8, will be 13.5 mills for the coming tax year, which is a drop of 7.5 mills from last year's levy of 21 mills.

Of the five principal cities in the county the Coquille combined levy of 46.9 mills is lower than any of them except Myrtle Point with its 39.6 mills, but that 46.9 mills is quite a drop—18.3 mills to be exact, from the 65.2 mills levied for 1940-41.

In the year 1919 the combined levy of the city of North Bend was 62.8 which is somewhat lower than the present levy of combined millage. In 1924, however, the combined levy of North Bend was an even 100.0 mills, while in the same year the combined levy of the city of Lakeside was 126.2 mills.

The assessed valuation of Coos county which has already been given out has increased from \$26,313,626 to \$26,794,087, for the fiscal year 1943-44.

The drop in the combined levy for the city of Marshfield is due to .8 of a mill reduction in the city levy, .1 of a mill reduction in the Port of Coos Bay levy, and .2 of a mill in the county levy, with the balance of reduction credited to the State School Support Fund of which School District No. 9 received \$27,643.73. The school district showed a 2.9 mill reduction in levy, although the tax levy was increased \$9,473 over the previous levy.

The school levy in North Bend shows a reduction of 4.6 mills over the previous year. However, the city of North Bend increased its levy by taxation over the previous year for an amount of \$9,159, thereby increasing its levy 4.7 mills which eliminated the reduction of the school district on the combined levy of North Bend and increased the levy .4 of a mill over the last year and set the levy at 60.5. The city actually increased its levy from 26.2 in 1942-43 to 31.5 mill for 1943-44. The school district lowered its levy from 14.2 mills in 1942-43 to 10.6 mills for 1943-44.

The Bandon city levy is up from 9.4 mills in 1942-43 to 10.8 mills for 1943-44, and the school levy is up from 32.3 mills in 1942-43 to 33.7 mills in 1943-44.

The Port of Coos Bay dropped in millage from 3.7 in 1942-43 to 3.6 mills in 1943-44.

The Port of Bandon dropped in millage from 1.0 mills in 1942-43 to 0.0 mills for 1943-44.

Union High No. 2 dropped from 10.2 to 8.4, Union High No. 3 dropped from 5.3 to 4.5 mills and Non-High is down from 9.6 to 7.7 for 1943-44.

Bard Kesner Buys Ray Jeub Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jeub expect to move about the first of the month into the house they purchased last month, farther east on Second street, from F. S. Emery, Mgr. and Mrs. Bard Kesner last week completed a deal for the purchase of the Jeub home, corner of Second and Coulter streets, into which they will move as soon as it is vacated.

Mrs. J. R. Burch and her mother, Mrs. K. C. Couch, returned Monday from Portland, where they went last week to attend the funeral of the latter's sister.

Craig Perrott Is Now Fire Chief --- Other City Business

Coquille has had a new fire chief since Monday evening when the members of the department elected Craig Perrott to the position.

The city council, in session that evening, had heard the resignation of Ted Snyder as chief and LeRoy Swinney as assistant chief, read by Recorder Leslie, and shortly thereafter Lud Scharfer brought word downstairs to Mayor Wood of Craig's selection and the naming of the new chief was promptly confirmed by the council members, all of whom were present except Geo. Burr, who was out of town.

After hearing the recorder read a letter from the state highway commission in regard to post war municipal activities in which many improvements were suggested as projects, among them hospitals, Dr. G. E. Stark remarked that the establishment of a city hospital is being more and more talked about and the interest being shown indicates that a municipally-owned hospital will be one of the first things the people of the community will demand, after the war.

The application for permission to repair the building owned by Mrs. Machon and occupied by the Geo. Brooks' Used Furniture Store, made by Mr. Brooks and approved by the building inspector and fire chief, was granted by the council with one dissenting vote. This councilman's idea was that there are many frail, wooden buildings in the business section and if permission is given to repair them that Coquille will never get rid of the old shacks which are a disgrace to an up-to-date community.

The Inler Sheet Metal Works' bid of \$90.50 for six galvanized doors (Continued on Page Eight)

Dudley Walton Married Monday

Mrs. Edith G. Walton, who left last Friday to attend the wedding of her son, Dudley, who is junior lieutenant in the Naval Air Corps, returned Tuesday morning this week.

His bride was Miss Alice Harford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harford of Seattle, and the wedding was celebrated in the Mt. Baker Presbyterian church there. It was followed by a reception at the Harford home.

The happy couple has gone to Whidby Island, where Dudley is now stationed, but they do not know how long he will remain there. Lieut. Walton was recently selected, along with others from various units, to fly the new Ventura bombers.

Former Pastor Here A Week

Marvin H. Law, who came to Coquille in 1914 as pastor of the M. E. South Church, now the Pioneer Methodist Church, and served as its pastor for two years, has been a Coquille visitor the past week. He came from Dallas, Texas, where he is in the engineering department of the North American Aircraft corporation, to visit his mother and sister here, and left on the return trip yesterday.

Always an ardent fisherman from his boyhood up, Mr. Law timed his vacation and visit so that he might enjoy the best fishing on the streams which he whipped some 27 to 29 years ago.

Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Bergner Were Guests Here Sunday

Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Bergner, who left Coquille 18 years ago, after he had completed a two-year position as pastor of the Presbyterian church here, were guests at the J. L. Smith home from Saturday evening until Monday morning when they left by bus for Ventura, Calif. Mr. Bergner left the ministry less than a year ago to enter the U. S. O., and for several months past has been stationed at Camp White near Medford. Last week he received notice of his transfer to the camp near Ventura.

Lloyd W. Claver was able to be back on the job at the theatre Monday morning, after being laid up last week with an attack of bronchial pneumonia. In losing 10 to 15 pounds, he is down nearer to fighting trim but is still too weak to engage in combat.

Spent Thirteen Months In London

Kenneth Cooper, now a Pharmacist Mate, first class, in the U. S. Navy, who enlisted from Myrtle Point, February 14, 1940, arrived home on his first leave last evening. He is the brother of Mrs. Lonnie Clark and Jack Cooper of Coquille.

Kenneth has been in London for the past 13 months, having arrived there in a convoy which took 12 days to cross the Atlantic, on Aug. 18, 1942.

He says there are uniforms everywhere in London, that the U. S. service men enjoy it over there but are always glad to get back to the United States.

There are many interesting things that Kenneth might relate of his experiences over there could he tell them but the men are not allowed to talk of them nor could a newspaper publish them.

He has finished his hitch in England and when his 30-day leave is up, he will report to the Navy yard at Norfolk, Va., for reassignment. Where or what that may be he does not know.

Local Boy Survives Crash

R. T. Hanly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. H. Hanly of Bullards route, was the only one of four to escape yesterday when planes collided in the Yuma, Arizona, section. Two officers and a cadet were killed but young Hanly parachuted to safety.

Those Inducted This Week From Here

The following men were forwarded to Portland for induction from Coos County Local Board No. 2, at Coquille, Oregon, on Tuesday of this week:

Foster Hale Thompson, Gaylord.
Dale Hale Stevens, Coquille.
Leland Wesley Post, Powers.
Louis Irvin Slyter, Powers.
Arnold Eugene Durney, Myrtle Point.
Samuel Nelson Wood, Coquille.
James William Menning, Marshfield.
Osborne A. Dunn, Bandon.
Vernon Roger Kissell, Coquille.
Eric Magnus Westerstrand, Coquille.
Curtis Eugene Adams, Coquille.

1943 Football Schedule Adopted

The football schedule for the Coos county high schools was adopted by the Schoolmasters Club which met last Thursday at which time Clarence Oiska of Coquille was elected president for the coming year.

Following is the schedule:
Sept. 25—Grants Pass at North Bend.
Oct. 2—Coquille at Myrtle Point, Marshfield at Medford.
Oct. 9—Marshfield at Grants Pass.
Oct. 16—Marshfield at Myrtle Point, North Bend at Coquille.
Oct. 23—Myrtle Point at North Bend, Marshfield at Corvallis.
Oct. 30—Coquille at Marshfield.
Nov. 11—Myrtle Point at Coquille, North Bend at Marshfield.
Nov. 19—Eugene at Marshfield.
Nov. 25—Marshfield at North Bend.
Admission prices set were the same as last year for both football and basketball—Adults 50 cents, Students (with Student Body cards) 25 cents.

Interesting Program At Rotary Meeting

John Ferguson, of the Marshfield-North Bend Rotary club, talked to the members of the local club at their meeting at the hotel on Wednesday. Advising his listeners to get as comfortable as possible as he might talk a long time, Mr. Ferguson spoke for half an hour on the subject, "This Changing World," and held his audience to the closest attention given to a speaker here in quite some time.

Lack of space forbids a complete report of his talk but it was one that should have been heard by a much larger audience and showed the result of some deep and studious thinking.

Ted Balcom, who returned last Friday from a summer spent at Ketchikan, Alaska, was present as was also John W. Goddard, of Portland, Ed W. Hughes, Rotarian of Grants Pass, was also present as a guest.

Calling cards 5c for \$1.00.

Southwestern Oregon Counties Plan For Post-War Work

By L. D. Felsheim, Coos County Judge

Urgency of plans for post-war construction work in order to furnish employment for returned servicemen and war workers, was impressed upon officials of five county courts of southwestern Oregon Friday by two engineers from the state highway department, delegated by Governor Earl Snell to assist in preparing a post-war program.

"Be ready with plans and specifications insofar as possible, and have your finances set up, so you can start work as soon as the war ends," declared C. B. McCullough, assistant state engineer, before a meeting of District 4 of the Association of Oregon Counties held in the circuit court room in the court house at Coquille.

Outlining briefly McCullough's suggestion:

"1. List all the things your county needs in the way of improvements.

2. Sift out the ones that are most feasible for immediate consideration and arrange them in order of priority.

"3. Have plans and specifications drawn for as many of these projects as possible, and have your finances ready."

Augmenting McCullough's statement, Oscar Cutler, assistant staff engineer of the state highway department, stated that counties and other tax-levying bodies should be prepared to provide at least 50 per cent of the cost of such projects. It is expected that federal match money will be available for post-war projects. Legislation to that effect has already been introduced in congress. Cutler recommended that not more than 50 per cent of match money be accepted, otherwise local governments will lose control of their projects to the federal government.

"When the boys come back from this war they will demand jobs that will make it possible for them to accept without sacrificing their self-respect," Cutler declared. "They don't want any more boondoggling or leaf-raking."

If local governments do not furnish the jobs necessary to take up the employment slack after the war, the federal government will furnish such jobs, which will mean, it was pointed out, further encroachment of federal control over local affairs.

County governments, according to (Continued on page eight)

Tournament Play At Country Club Sunday

The Cup Tourney now in progress at the Coquille Valley Country Club grounds will be continued this coming Sunday, those matched in the tournament being:

Dutch Clinton vs. Oscar Hendricks.
Cliff Tyrrell vs. M. S. Anderson.
Andy Richardson vs. Butch Briner.
Stewart Norton vs. Harry Dement.
"Spike" Leslie vs. Fay Osterhout.
Louis Hollimon vs. Sam Carmichael.
Jack McLarrin vs. Bill Barrow.
Larry Lundquist vs. John Arnold.
Matched in the first flight are: Austin Dodge vs. Fred Darby.
Grover Richardson vs. Vern Estelle.
Bob Harris vs. George Laird.
Ted Buck vs. Lin Swain.
Vern Heintzelman vs. John Lauderback.

N. Chowning, Jr., vs. Jim Clinton.
John Geider vs. Lee Morrison.

N. Chowning, Sr., vs. Bill Mineau. The cup flight will be playing for a golf trophy which has been won in the past by Don Gillespie, Clem Howard, Jack McLarrin and Dutch Clinton. It indicated also the mythical championship of the club.

The first flight, played with handicaps, will be playing for prizes donated by the merchants and business houses of Coquille.

Teachers Institute To Be Held In Coquille Nov. 1

The Coos-Curry County Regional Conference for teachers will be held in the Coquille High School on Monday, Nov. 1. As a means of saving gas and tires for the Curry attendants, the Schoolmasters Club made the recommendation that the Institute be held in Coquille and County Superintendent Mulkey agreed with the proposal.

Blank Warranty Deeds for sale at this office.