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## COQUILLE WELCOMES HILLAH TEMPLE AND THE SHRINERS

### 23 Novices In Line For Hillah Temple Ceremonial Saturday

Twenty-three candidates have been signed up by "Count" K. P. Lawrence and others in southwestern Oregon for initiation into the mysteries of the Shrine when Hillah Temple stages its ceremonial in the Community Building here Saturday evening. Those who are expected to "hang on to the rope" that evening include the following from Coquille: Henry McCue, Ralph Cochran, LeRoy Richards, Bard Kesner, Stanley Ayers, Andrew Hatcher, Lefe Compton, William Russell, Paul Rietman, John Geider, Lloyd Claver, Elton Savage, Clifford Yarbrough, George Oerding.

Other candidates to be here are: Ivan and Kenneth Laird, from Sitkum; P. C. Roper, from Myrtle Point; Chris Finnell, from Bandon; Dr. R. M. McKeown, H. C. Levasse and Earl A. Wood, from Marshfield; Lloyd Wilson, from Sutherlin, and Wm. Henson, from Reedsport.

The program scheduled for the afternoon and evening starts with the registration of candidates at two o'clock at the recorder's desk in the hotel lobby.

Following the business session at four o'clock in the Community Building the meeting adjourns for refreshments at five o'clock.

At 5:45 the novices will parade from the building to the I. O. O. F. hall where the Rebekahs will serve a sea food banquet extraordinary at six o'clock. During the march of the novices they will all hold on to the rope and enable the people of Coquille to see what a fine-looking bunch of novices they are. They will also march back to the Community Building after the banquet.

At eight o'clock there will be a reception for Paul B. Rynning, illustrious Potentate of Hillah, the Divan, Past Potentate and visiting dignitaries which will include a delegation from Al Kader Temple in Portland, headed by Potentate Dibbe and Orator Rankin.

The exemplification of the first and third sections of the ritualistic work is scheduled for 8:30 p. m., and the second section, with Eddie Nunn as Ceremonial Director, and John H. Ralston, Captain of the Guard, is set for 9:30 o'clock.

All uniformed bodies of the temple will be present and preceding the reception there will be a concert by Hillah Temple band at 7:30 p. m.

The committees in charge of preparing for this first Shrine ceremonial ever held in Coquille, are as follows: Ceremonial—Paul B. Rynning, illustrious Potentate, and K. P. Lawrence, general chairman.

Reception—Sam H. Baker and all Past Potentates.

Banquet—Capt. Prentice M. Clark, chairman; Geo. F. Winchester, C. T. Selbig, Wm. Bettys.

Hospitality—Fred C. Hudson, Dr. C. A. Rietman, R. A. Jeub, Wm. O. Campbell.

Door Guards—H. G. Grey, outer guard; O. O. Horner, J. C. Collins, Grant Todd, Miller P. Dunn.

Publicity—H. G. Grey, chairman; K. P. Lawrence, A. E. Voorhies, J. G. Weinstein, Ed Ostendorf, Geo. Smith, R. E. Detrick.

Candidate—Geo. A. Ulett, chairman; W. P. Laws, M. F. Pettit, P. P. Gray, J. E. Clark.

Housing—Paul B. Running, K. P. Lawrence.

Medicos—Drs. G. E. Stark, C. A. Haines, A. F. W. Kresse, L. C. Jensen, Chas. T. Sweeney.

Miss Bess Maury Receiving Treatment At Mast Hospital

Miss Bess Maury, who has been the most consistent employee of the bank here for the past 25 years—she began her duties in October, 1918—and whose time off heretofore has been confined to her annual vacation, has been off duty for the past three weeks while being treated in the Mast Hospital at Myrtle Point for a foot and limb affliction which requires that she be off her feet.

Phil Albom Is Scoutmaster Of Lions-Sponsored Troop

From the interest he is showing in the work, Phil Albom was a mighty good selection by the Lions club for Scoutmaster of the Boy Scout troop which that club sponsors.

### Clarence Osika Addresses B. P. W.

The Business and Professional Women's Club, with Mrs. Hallock presiding, met Monday, Oct. 18, at the Guild Hall. The Legislative and Publicity committees were in charge.

Clarence Osika, Coquille High School principal, gave another of his splendid talks, this time, "Living on the Home Front." More attention and thought of the happenings after the war was suggested by the speaker who stated newspapers fail in this but he mentioned magazine reading from such as Time, Fortune, Collier's, etc., which contain valuable information and matter of this sort. "We must express ourselves freely," he said, "to our Senators and Representatives in Washington. We must have trade after the war or else we'll have a collapse," and added, he meant collapse of government, too. He told of the changing attitude toward the subject of tariff and pointed to the importance of access to raw materials by all the peoples of the world and followed with a discussion of the American Business Men's attitude toward our foreign policy. As

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### Coquille Red Cross Notes

Coquille Red Cross, 784, will hold its regular weekly meeting on Friday, Oct. 22, from 1:00 to 4:30 p. m. in Guild Hall. Everyone is invited to come and work for our men in the services. There will be machine and hand sewing, knitting, crocheting, cutting, pressing, filling sewing kits, etc. Those who want to crochet are asked to please bring a No. 1, 2 or 3 crochet hook and their own scissors.

In addition to the sweaters and gloves that are now being knitted, Mrs. Phil Albom reports the receipt of more yarn to be used for stumps and helmets.

Kit bags and Housewives still continue to be the most needed articles, says Mrs. D. B. Kesner, production chairman. "We will have on hand Friday a large number of these articles, cut out and ready to be sewed, so I am asking our workers to please accept some of these items in addition to the afghans they are now working on. Several very beautiful" (Continued on page eight)

### Funds Disbursed To School Districts

County Treasurer Stauff remitted to Coos county school districts this week a total of \$110,243.70. The remittance was made possible by receipt of funds from the state: \$23,887.12 from the elementary school fund; \$8,835.42 from the state school fund; \$64,726.18 from the state school support fund, being the surplus from the income tax payments; and \$12,794.98 from special tax levies by the districts themselves.

There was also placed to the credit of the Non-High school districts the sum of \$6,375.46 from the state support school fund.

Other moneys received from the state were the county's share of \$796.91 for three months from the state tax on alcoholic beverages, which has been placed in the county's general fund, and \$1,947.22 from the State Racing commission. This fund goes to the County Fair Association.

### Two Cases Tried In Circuit Court

The jury which heard the case of J. R. Barton and Robert Errion vs. Coos Bay Farmers Co-operative, et al, on Monday, found for the plaintiffs. The case was an appeal from ownership of an oyster plant over there. It was intimated that the case will now be appealed to the Supreme court.

On Tuesday the jury which heard the case of Bedford F. Walker vs. the State Industrial Accident Commission returned a verdict in the plaintiff's favor, awarding him 75 per cent of the established rate for loss of a leg.

Other civil cases set for trial next Monday are Ella Reed Osmundson vs. New York Life Insurance Co. and H. H. Laakey et al vs. Harry W. Penland.

### Taxes To Be Paid In Coos Co. \$136,970 Less This Year

County Assessor Chas. W. Forrest furnishes the following statistics concerning valuations, tax levies and taxes to be paid to the various municipalities in Coos county for the 1943-44 tax year.

The assessed valuation of Coos county is \$26,795,237. It was \$22,786,161 last year.

Valuations for assessment in the cities of the county were as follows, the first figure being the new valuation and the second that of last year: Coquille \$1,494,411 \$1,490,980 Myrtle Point 448,140 631,143 Bandon 469,953 490,758 North Bend 2,469,074 2,613,979 Marshfield 4,394,572 4,623,898 Eastside 363,001 405,775 Empire 229,501 222,686

The millage for the seven cities this year will be—Coquille 18.8, Myrtle Point 12, Bandon 10.8, North Bend 31.5, Marshfield 17, Eastside 9.48, Empire 11.7.

The total tax to be collected this coming year, according to the rolls, is \$982,812.21. Of this amount \$396,569.50 is for the county and state, \$238,348.81 for schools, \$199,375.34 for cities, \$24,145.72 for Union High school districts, \$75,624.95 for the Non-High district, \$46,170.94 for the Ports, \$2,215.98 for the Powers water district, \$1,044.15 for the Bunker Hill, No. 1, Fire District, and \$1,316.77 for the Englewood, No. 2, Fire District.

The total tax of \$982,812.21, to be collected this year, is smaller than last year's total tax of \$1,119,782.45, by \$136,970.24.

### \$116,744 Delinquent Taxes Paid In Sept.

The turn-over to County Treasurer Stauff by the tax department for delinquent taxes collected in September will be \$116,743.92. A. O. Walker reported yesterday. It will be made in a few days.

The tax department was unable to get this year's statements mailed on Monday as had been hoped but they will be out very soon.

To accommodate the 26,500 assessment records which Assessor Forrest has just turned over to the tax department, a set of drawers under the 20-foot counter and about four feet high has just been completed by Ernie Perrott and, with these records all systematically arranged, the work in the department will be much simplified in comparison with the old system.

New tables for the employees were also made and one of them is marked, "Keep off; a left-handed table for Em Pierce."

### Registration To Be At Washington Building

A erroneous impression seems to be prevalent as to where to register next week for Ration Book No. 4. In Coquille the registration will be at the Washington school building as heretofore and not at the Lincoln building. Registration will be open for four days next week, Tuesday through Friday, Oct. 26-27-28-29, between 3:00 and 9:00 p. m.

Attention is called to the fact that those registering, and one member may do it for the entire family, must have Ration Book 3 with him or her for each member of the family whose name is registered.

### Mrs. E. E. Johnson In Indianapolis For The Winter

Mrs. E. E. Johnson, who left a few weeks ago to spend the winter with her sister Mary—Mrs. B. F. Lawrence, in Indianapolis, Ind., writes friends here that she arrived safely in the east, and that Mrs. Lawrence is feeling much better than she did awhile back. Mrs. Johnson says the days are quite cool there but that the colored fall foliage and the general appearance of the country make it a very beautiful place in which to be.

Mrs. Jas. Richmond, Mrs. Ernest Purvance and Mrs. O. B. Harriman returned last Friday after attending a state W. S. C. S. meeting in Portland.

### Legion Conference Hears Good Talk By Commander McDade

(By Roy C. Morley, Adj.)

Delegates from Port Orford, Bandon, Powers, Myrtle Point, Marshfield and Coquille American Legion Posts attended the conference of district No. 4, held in the I. O. O. F. lodge building here on October 18. State Commander McDade and his party arrived in Coquille about 6:00 p. m. and found it exceedingly difficult to get dining room accommodations for his party.

The joint meeting with the Auxiliary was packed with good common-sense information. The subjects touched upon were Conservation, Child Welfare, Rehabilitation, Legislation, the present day principles of the Legion and membership.

Conservation was dwelt upon in detail. However, the outstanding item of the discussion was the conserving of gasoline. The situation as it exists in Portland today was taken for an example, where too many individuals go and come from work without having their cars loaded, two men drive to work when one car would take them both. There is too much needless driving by other individuals when every gallon of gas saved and delivered to our fighting men over there will bring this mess we are in just that much quicker to a close and our boys will be able to come home.

The Child Welfare program was inaugurated by the American Legion in 1925 at which time it was made compulsory to register every child which was born and a record kept on file in the state department. The progress of the welfare of children has been slow and uphill. The cause of this is due to the misunderstanding and the malicious misinterpretation. (Continued on page eight)

### 27-lb. Chinook Wins Lions Prize

Dr. J. R. Bunch is, this noon, being awarded the prize for catching the largest fish last Sunday, on the lower river, during the annual Lions club fish derby. His Chinook was a 27 pounder.

George Ulett's catch, while it was somewhat smaller than Dr. Bunch's, cannot be entered in competition for the biggest fish caught because a friend (?) craftily slipped the fish out of Mr. Ulett's boat, and under his jacket while the boat's personnel were on the bank, a few feet away, at lunch.

There were between 40 and 50 Lions and their invited guests who participated in the derby and a very enjoyable day was spent, although the fish were not striking to any great extent. The most caught by any one boat's crew is reported at three small ones: Lloyd Claver brought in two.

The heavy rain in late afternoon ended the event about four o'clock.

### Mrs. Littler To Leave Coos County

Mrs. Ethel Littler, who has been one of Coos county's two very capable and efficient county nurses—the other is Mrs. Iris Elrod—has resigned her position, effective some time next month, to accept that of Douglas county health nurse and to be stationed at Roseburg.

Mrs. Littler has resided in Coquille for the past five years, while she was county health nurse, and for nine years prior to that was school nurse at Powers and then at North Bend.

### November 1 Deadline For War Chest Drive

The Coquille quota of \$350.00 for the War Chest drive must be raised by Nov. 1st and it is the hope of George E. Oerding, Coquille chairman, that all persons respond generously during the ten remaining days. This united campaign is to make continued drives unnecessary and will benefit the groups served by such drives: namely the U. S. O., Servicemen's clubs, War Prisoners' Aid, War Relief for Occupied Countries, the Boy Scouts, Salvation Army and aid for our allies and refugee relief.

### Red Devils Outscored But Not Outplayed

While the score at the C. H. S. Red Devils-North Bend Bulldogs football game here last Saturday shows the visitors to have been the winner by one point, the score was 13-12, in all other respects the Red Devils were the winner. In the first half they outplayed and out-gamed their heavier and larger opponents, and it was not until the middle of the last quarter that the visitors were able to score two touchdowns by repeated ramblings through the line of the crippled and very tired local boys.

The Coquille boys, with whom the visitors had expected an easy game, and whom most of the fair crowd at the game would not have been surprised had they been on the short end of a 20 to 0 score, played with a dash and vigor that first quarter which pretty nearly took the Bulldogs off their feet. Taking advantage of a blocked kick by Albom near the N. B. goal, George Hurst, who was a tower of strength on offense and defense, carried the ball across the line in a couple of plays. The try for point failed.

A little later in the same quarter a well-thrown pass by Jim Howe was caught by DeNoma who ran 25 yards for the six points score. His success was helped very materially by the blocking by Albom. Again the try for point failed and the score was 12 to 0 at the end of the quarter and remained that way till the middle of the last frame.

Again and again the Red Devils squad stopped plays that looked good for a touchdown, by flying tackles and the knocking down of passes.

Spike Leslie, the coach, did not have reserves to substitute as one boy after another was crippled and could hardly get about the field. Dave Kline, Hurst, Howe, at various times had to be taken out, only to go back in after a rest and massaging of their injured legs. Even Woodward, who suffered a sprained ankle the week before, went in for a few plays.

The whole team played a remarkably fine game and covered themselves with glory. They had the intestinal fortitude at all times, but physical endurance could not entirely withstand the punishment they were taking.

The Red Devils game this coming Saturday will be with the Reedsport High team, up there.

In the other game played Saturday, the Marshfield Pirates won from the Myrtle Point Bobcats, 20 to 6.

### All Criminal Cases For Same Offense

The shortest grand jury session on record, and the least expensive to the taxpayers, was the one which concluded its labor the first of the week. Deputy Clerk John Leneve says the entire grand jury expense will be about \$64.

Two indictments were returned and a not true bill in the case of Robert Farmer, who had been charged with assault and battery. Both indictments were for contributing to the delinquency of minors.

Harold Stillman, one of the two, pleaded guilty on Friday and was sentenced to the county jail for one year. The judge then ordered him released at once and placed him on parole for two years. He is to report to the sheriff every 30 days.

The other indictment was against Hersey Arnold Loyal McBroom, who is under arrest but has not yet been brought to trial.

Elmer Robinette, who had been arrested on the same charge, waived grand jury investigation, pleaded guilty last Friday and was sentenced to four years in the pen. Judge King remanded him to the custody of the sheriff and a stay of execution for 30 days was ordered after which he will be placed on parole for four years.

The case against Robert Allen Smith, also for contributing to a minor's delinquency, was ordered dismissed.

### New Man On Police Force Here

Chief of Police Creager yesterday named Adrian Werth, who recently bought a home here and moved from Riverton, on the city's police force, on probation. The force now consists of Chief Creager, Hugh McMahon and Adrian Werth.

### City Gets Another 30 Acres To Square Up The Watershed

The Coquille city council, at its Monday evening session this week, voted to accept the offer of Lyman A. Chezem for the 30 acres he owns at the northeast corner of the Rink creek watershed, which will give the city's water system the ownership of all land below the tops of the hills on the north, east and south sides of the reservoir.

The only condition Mr. Chezem made was that the city have the tract surveyed and set the corners of the tract donated. City Engineer Gearhart, who reported the offer, said it might take himself and a couple of men two or three days to make the survey, depending on whether established monuments were easily found.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Maynard were present to ask that a culvert be installed below their place, at the intersection of Burns avenue and Willard street, where Mr. Maynard said he had had \$35 worth of gravel dumped to obliterate the mud hole and lake there. Mr. Gearhart stated an 8-inch culvert, 30 feet long, which would cost 65 cents a foot, would be needed and the matter was referred to the street committee.

Hoping to stop the depredations at the boat house, where the hoist has been damaged, windows broken and the house broken into by hoodlums, the council voted to have a sign posted offering \$25 for information which would lead to the arrest and conviction of these wanton destroyers of public property.

An offer of \$257.34 by F. A. Barton, trustee, for a portion of Block 2 in Academy Addition, was accepted and a quit-claim deed ordered issued to the trustee. The amount is what the city had invested in the property for delinquent improvement assessments.

A restaurant license was granted to Floyd Hall for the operation of The White Spot on Front street.

The charge by S. H. Donsted that a member of the city police had been acting as stool pigeon for the State Liquor Control Commission was heard by the council but no action was taken as Chief of Police Creager immediately stated that the matter was being taken care of.

### Prominent Men To Speak Here Oct. 28

Next Thursday evening, October 28, at 6:30 o'clock, St. James' Episcopal Church will be host to the deanery of southwestern Oregon. At a dinner meeting, in the Guild hall, a number of diocesan clergy and laymen will present the highlights of the recent general convention of the Church at Cleveland. Bishop Rhea of Idaho will be in charge of the meeting. Bishop Dagwell of Oregon and two previous vicars of St. James' will be in the party which is holding deanery meetings throughout the western part of the state. The Very Rev. Charles M. Guilbert and the Rev. George R. Turney, both of whom are well known in Coquille, will be speakers. While the officers of the various organizations of St. James' are asked to make a determined effort to be present, the meeting is open to all who are interested in the work of the Church. Those who will be present are asked to notify the Rev. Mr. Greene, at the earliest possible moment.

At 4:30 p. m. on the same day, the high school youth are asked to be present at the Church for a youth conference under the leadership of the Rev. Charles Neville, rector of the Church of the Good Samaritan, Corvallis.

### Coos Firemen Meet Here This Evening

Fire Chief Craig Peritt, at the council meeting Monday evening, invited members of the city government to attend the meeting this (Thursday) evening of the County Firemen's Association, which is to be held in the council chamber.

State Fire Marshal Seth Thomas is to talk to the firemen and a lunch will be served after the meeting in the firemen's room over the fire hall.