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## Inductees Ordered To Report For Exams By Local Board

The largest class ever called by Coos County Selective Service Board No. 2—the Coquille office—was the one this week. The men were taken in three bus loads to the Bay where they took the train Tuesday evening for Portland and the Barrow Drug Store corner, from which point the buses left, was crowded with the inductees, their friends and relatives and others interested, from the time the first bus pulled out at 3:30.

Not all the young men, named in the following list, started from here, as many who now live elsewhere will report in Portland without coming back to Coquille.

Chairman Levi Bunch of the local Selective Service board, said they had to scrape the bottom of the manpower barrel in order to fill the quota received from headquarters.

The list of those called follows: Walter Earnest Homsy, Coquille. Dale Erwin Ohlsen, Myrtle Point. Cecil Harry McQuigg, Coquille. Harry Robert Ellison, Auburn, Wn. Everet Smith Higgins, Portland. Woodrow Jones, Dallas, Ore. Earl Lafate Edgmon, Klamath Falls. Harold Workman Stevens, Marshfield. Stanley Hurst Curtis, Portland. Harry Bannerman Todd, Winchester, Oregon.

Lawton Louis Hollinsworth, Richmond, Calif. Ray Spencer Waterman, Bandon. Leonard Douglas Leuthold, Porterville, Calif.

Robert Marion Ward, Myrtle Point. Louis Martin Wessell, Reedsport. William Grant Cox, Eugene. George Stuart Merchant, Bandon. Ralph Lawrence Todd, Coquille. Robert Carl Schellong, Bandon. Harold Edwin Hatcher, Sutherlin, Oregon.

Harry Sutton Hubbell, Coquille. Tommy Lowell Richards, Marshfield. Edward William Brown, Coquille. Albert Paul Gosh, Powers, Ore. James Leroy Starr, Coquille. Arthur Walter Plep, San Francisco. Doris Robert Crump, Coquille. Clyde Edward Crawford, No. Bend. Harold David Simmons, Norway.

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## Major Marion Carl Has 18½ Planes

The four sisters, Mesdames Rose Ashton, Jennie Price, Lilly Hartig and Amelia Lafferty, have just returned from Portland, where they went to see Mrs. Ellen Carl, also a sister. Mrs. Carl is now recuperating from an operation at Woodburn. Mrs. Carl was very happy over the information that her son, Major Marion Carl has been withdrawn from combat duty. He recently returned from the Gilbert Islands, where he had raised his score against Jap planes to 18½. The half implies the help of an assistant. His experience is considered of greater value in the training field. Lt. Mantion Carl was expected home at Hubbard Tuesday night because of his mother's illness.

## Scout Cubs To Be Organized In Coquille

On Friday evening, March 17, Ralph E. Kalaher, Assistant Scout Executive for the Oregon Trail Council of Boy Scouts, will be in Coquille to discuss with parents of boys from 9 through 12 years, plans for organizing a Cub Pack, which is to be sponsored by St. James' Episcopal Church. The meeting has been set for eight o'clock, in the Guild Hall, E. Third and Elliott streets.

Cubbing is a section of the Boy Scouts of America for younger boys. Its main and most important feature is that its emphasis is home centered. It is a leisure-time, character-influencing program—a program of things to do. It provides activities which appeal to the boy, activities which also give him a chance to develop habits and attitudes which most people agree are essential to good citizenship.

Those parents who are interested should plan to attend the meeting with Mr. Kalaher. Some time next week a letter will be sent, through the schools, to each family in which there is a boy of Cubbing age.

## Jas. Whitaker Died Today At Myrtle Point

James Whitaker, in the neighborhood of 40 years of age, a life-long resident of Myrtle Point, passed way there this morning.

## Child Care And Play Center Possible For Coquille

Coquille has the same opportunity as a larger place to have a Child Care and Play Center. Let there be no delay in the preliminaries for a survey of the need which, if sufficient, would entitle this community to a benefit which would solve a multitude of problems for the countless families already and about to be affected by the increasing demands of the draft boards for more and more men for the armed services.

The United States Employment Service feels the establishment of the Child Care Centers is the answer to providing more women to seek employment. Marshfield has already made its start for application to the Federal Works Administration and indications are showing up a real need, according to the results of the survey being made.

These centers are for the care of children under school age and also for the care of youngsters up to the fourth grade after school hours.

Federal Works Administration supplies everything necessary to carry on this work, such as instruction, operation expense, all equipment, in fact for everything required to perform the work efficiently.

The local school boards are placed in charge. The personnel must be certified by the State Superintendent of Schools. The head teacher, corresponding to a principal must have had a course in nursery training. In addition to teachers there is a staff consisting of cook, housekeeper, janitor and laundry supervisor. The children are provided with mid-morning lunch, noon lunch and mid-afternoon lunch. Beds and bedding are furnished for children requiring naps.

For all this the cost to parents will be in no case exceed 50c per day per child. The ideal unit is forty children but this number is not required. Each teacher is allocated not to exceed eight children.

No obligation is incurred by the community in asking for this Child Care and Play Center Service. The Federal Works Administration bears the entire expense with the exception of the nominal sum already mentioned, which the parent pays.

The procedure necessary to secure the service is simple. After making the survey, any responsible group, a service club, an industry, the local county nurse or the Women's Club, etc., may certify that the service is required.

It takes about sixty days to establish a unit after all arrangements are perfected.

This is a straightforward effort on the part of the U. S. agencies to provide a place where mothers can leave their young children and be assured of careful attention to all the needs of the children with scientific supervision.

Women with small children can take advantage of the Child Care and Play Center, whether employed outside the home or engaged in housework. Many women are finding it necessary to supplement their government allotments because of being unable to take care of all essential expenses. To such the Child Care and Play Center would prove a god-send. The community can assist by getting behind this opportunity.

## Red Cross Notes

Coquille Red Cross will hold its regular work meeting on Friday, March 10, from 1:15 to 4:15 p. m. at Guild Hall.

Bedside bags of unbleached muslin are again required for hospital use. These will be cut and ready to sew; also 1,000 pairs of soft slippers are needed. These will also be cut, ready for work room or home sewing. For group work at meetings the ladies will continue on the quota of 750 hospital wash cloths, edges are crocheted for extra wear. They will also go on with the wool-pieced quilt top, afghan squares for hospital lap robes, etc.

Visitors at the last meeting were: Mesdames Mattoon, H. Ulrich and G. B. Howe. Mrs. C. C. McCurdy called with a nice assortment of colored yarn and Mrs. Maude Law and Mrs. W. E. Bosserman contributed wool materials, etc.

"We welcome new workers at all times as well as our old dependables. There is work of some kind for everyone, hand sewing, crocheting or knitting to take home," says Mrs. Keener, production chairman. "If you have not already done so, join in with us to help provide comforts as well as necessities for our boys wherever they may be."

## Navy Will Not Accept Two Coos County Criminals

Two Coos county boys, both under 18 years of age, whom the training school officers will not receive at that institution because of their criminally hardened attitude, were before Judge King in circuit court on Tuesday this week. They are Thomas Elvares Culver, of Bridge, and Dale W. Gault, of North Bend, who escaped from the training school and were recently brought back from southern California and were arrested since for breaking into and stealing from a store at Bridge.

They pleaded guilty but Judge King postponed sentence until the officials ascertain if they will be accepted for enlistment in the Army. The Navy won't have them and the pen seems to be the only place for them. They have committed every degradation they could in the county jail here, tearing up blankets and bed clothes and in some way causing a leak from the top floor of the court house which damaged walls and records on the two floors beneath.

Theodore Summers Dooley, bound over to the grand jury by Justice Bull for stealing the auto belonging to E. A. Weller at a logging camp, waived grand jury investigation in circuit court on Tuesday and pleaded guilty. The judge sentenced him to three years in the pen and then ordered a stay of execution for 30 days during which he will be in the county jail. At the end of that time he will be released on parole for a three-year period.

Brownie Stanley Bakke, who is the father of an illegitimate child, was ordered by Judge King to pay the mother \$150 and for the child's care, until it is 14 years of age, the sum of \$30 a month, payments being made to the county clerk. The judge ordered him released on probation.

## Have Put Electric Eye In The Well

A "schlumberger," sent up by the Well Surveying Corporation of Bakersfield, Calif., is being used at the 7000-foot hole which was drilled on Davis Slough for the Phillips Petroleum Corporation.

This is an electrical instrument which records on a roll of paper, the varying kinds of earth as found in the hole, showing porosity, shale, rock and whether there is oil-bearing sand through which the machine is lowered.

The first recording was made to a depth of 4957 feet and a second is now being made.

What the chart, which shows the condition every ten feet, disclosed has not been given out but it is reported that the well drilling crew is to be moved to another location and the effort to go deeper on the Davis Slough site will not be made.

It can be said, however, that the Phillips Corporation is paying its lease rental fee on the property it has leased for drilling purposes, and without doubt it is the intention to drill one or more test holes yet. This was the statement made before any drilling started, that two or more wells would be sunk.

## Pioneer Church To Hear Guest Speaker Sunday

Rev. William Wallace Youngson, of Portland, will fill the pulpit of Pioneer Methodist church on Sunday evening at 7:30. Mr. Youngson has been called the "Prince of Oregon Preachers." He is not only high in the work of Oregon Methodism, but is an outstanding Mason and much in demand by organizations as a speaker for state and national gatherings. A special welcome is extended to Masons for the Sunday evening service.

## Rummage Sale For Benefit Of Library Continues

The group of women from the Woman's Club, who are handling the rummage sale are busy as bees and making a grand success of it. The public has responded so generously with contributions that a good stock has been provided. Prices have been attractive and many needs have been filled for patrons who had been unable elsewhere to find articles because of curtailment. The sale will continue this week. Contributions of goods keep arriving. There will be a cooked food sale at Cooper's Florist Shop Saturday, March 11. All proceeds go to the Library.

## Council Limits Licensed Card Rooms To Three

With two applications for card room licenses before them Monday evening, the six members of the city council, all of whom were present, went on record by a 5 to 1 vote to limit the number of such places licensed in Coquille to three and turned down the application of Lee Osborne for such a license for the cigar store he expects to open in the former W.O.W. building, and that of Abe Roberts who wanted to re-open the Tavern in the former Busy Corner room next to the hotel building on First street.

There was some talk about gambling, which is forbidden by state law, in the cards rooms, and there was also reference to the man power shortage and a statement that such places should not be open to attract young men while there is a war on.

Recorder Leslie reported receipt of a check from the State Highway Commission for \$4,500.42, which the city must spend in street repair work during the next two years. Division of the surplus in its funds is made on a per capita basis to the cities in the state after the funds on hand, from gasoline and automobile taxes, amount to more than \$11,000,000.

One of the uses to which this remittance should be put was suggested as the purchase of a street grader. The state highway department will no longer use the funds thus allocated to a city in grading and smoothing up gravelled streets, and Coquille has a number of partially improved streets—gravelled—which need attention each year. Nothing was done Monday evening toward purchasing a grader as it is thought the army will have a great many for sale at the conclusion of the war.

Conditioned on an O. K. by Fire Chief Perrott as to its fire hazard conditions, a license for the Estimote Cafe, next to the Posttime, was granted the applicant, Hilda M. Twitchell. The request of the Paul Prince Auto Wrecker concern for endorsement of its petition to the state for a license to do business on North Henry street, was referred to Chief R. H. Creager. If he finds the premises there in a clean and sanitary condition the city's approval of the petition will be issued.

The 90-day probation period of A. G. Werth on the city's police force having expired, the council, at the recommendation of Chief Creager, ordered him placed on the regular force with a corresponding increase in pay.

City Engineer Gearhart reported that he had completed the survey of the federal government-owned lands in the Coquille reservoir watershed east of town, and he stated that City Attorney Berg had in preparation the papers for presenting to congress which, if enacted into law, will turn title to the land over to the city. It is a metes and bounds description involving more than 100 acres. The mayor and city recorder were authorized to sign the papers before they are sent to Washington, D. C.

## Robbery Attempted Monday Night

Two boys, thought by the police to be the same pair who have broken into several places around town the past few months, made another attempt to rob the Consolidated Freightways office here about eight o'clock Monday evening.

Hal R. Clark, Los Angeles attorney who has been a Coquille visitor quite often the past year, was passing along the highway when he heard a crash. He called to ask what was going on and a figure ran from the building. He immediately notified the police, who responded promptly, but the one inside had escaped in the meantime.

The thieves had opened the cash drawer but Mr. Donnan, the manager, had removed all funds from it and the would-be robbers got nothing for their pains.

Chief Creager says the hole in the glass, with a jagged piece still in the frame, would have allowed only a small body to pass through.

## Coast Guard Band To Furnish Music For Dance

The Coquille Junior Woman's Club is advertising a dance in the Community Building Saturday evening, March 18, at which the Coos Bay Coast Guard band will furnish the music. Admission is to be 55 cents, including tax.

## Coquille Logging In Red Cross Drive

Rev. Robert L. Greene reports this morning that Coquille contributions to the current Red Cross drive is less than half, to date, of the \$5200 quota.

One reason for this is that so many people are giving just the one dollar as solicited for the annual membership drive, which this is not.

Another reason is that the Arago and Roy districts which were part of the Coquille territory in the last drive have been assigned to the Myrtle Point Red Cross headquarters.

The amount collected and turned over to the treasurer this morning totals \$2,148.19.

Volunteers are still needed for soliciting in the residential districts as many sections of town have not yet been contacted. Nor have the business houses on Front street nor the territory adjacent to Coquille yet been canvassed. The unions, always very generous in their response to such appeals, have not yet made their contributions to this greatly needed relief fund for the boys in the service.

## Mrs. E. D. Hufford Passes Suddenly

Mrs. Iva Dean Hufford, wife of Elmer D. Hufford, passed away at home here Monday evening.

Mrs. Hufford had been in ill health for some time but her passing was a shock to her friends and family as she was able to be up and enjoy her home and the day before had gone to Bandon to visit.

She had laid down to take a nap in the afternoon Monday and was still thought to be sleeping when Mr. Hufford returned from work but, on going into the bedroom to awaken her for the evening meal, he found that she had passed on.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Middleton, who resided in Bandon, having come to Bandon in 1910. She attended school in Bandon and was a graduate of the Bandon high school.

In 1917 she was united in marriage to Elmer D. Hufford and to this union were born two sons, Ralph Elmer, who is in the U. S. Army and is stationed in England; Marion Dean in the U. S. Navy, stationed on the Atlantic coast. A grandson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hufford, survives. The only other survivors are an aunt and uncle in Bandon and an aunt in California.

## Kistner Ranch Sold To Bandon's Mayor

The W. L. Kistner ranch of 75 acres more or less, and including the house where Mr. Kistner has lived since a bought the place and came here on Jan. 17, 1900, will soon pass to the ownership of K. H. Franklin, the mayor of Bandon. An agreement has been reached and a deposit made on the purchase price.

This ranch, a strip of which was recently sold to the Southern Pacific Co., lies north of the depot and the tracks and adjoins the city limits at the southwest corner of the city.

Mayor Franklin has not announced what his plans for the property are but he will probably lease it for a time.

Mr. Kistner has the privilege of remaining in the house for 30 days, after which he expects to go to California for a visit. He has relatives in Humboldt county and around San Francisco Bay.

## Bishop Dagwell To Confirm Class Here Wednesday Evening

The Rt. Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, will make his annual Spring visitation at St. James' Church next Wednesday evening, March 15. At that time Rev. Robert L. Greene, vicar of St. James', will present a class for confirmation. The service, which will be held at eight o'clock, will be followed by a reception in the parish house. While on the coast Bishop Dagwell will visit the churches in Marshfield, Bandon, Port Orford and Myrtle Point.

## What was at first feared might be a serious injury yesterday, turned out to be but a skin cut which Dr. L. B. Gould sewed together after the victim had been taken to the hospital at Myrtle Point.

He was Al Kellenberger, who was working at a trimmer in the cedar mill at the plant when a piece of lumber flew up and struck him.

## Guy Gordon Is Oregon's Senator—Sprague To Run

Gov. Earl Snell eliminated himself as a candidate for U. S. senator last week-end when he appointed Guy Gordon, Roseburg attorney and former head of the American Legion in Oregon, to fill the office of senator, made vacant by Chas. L. McNary's death, and announced that he would continue in the gubernatorial post.

The appointment of Mr. Gordon, while it gives Roseburg two seats in congress, Hon. Harris Ellsworth being also from that city, is a splendid choice. Mr. Gordon has had a great deal of experience in the national capital, having represented the O. & C. revested lands and Coos Bay Wagon Road counties in southwestern Oregon, and he knows the ropes there.

Whether Mr. Gordon, whose appointive term will expire at next November's election, will be a candidate for a six year term in the senate has not been announced, but that the republicans will have at least one unusually able man seeking the nomination at the May primary was made certain when ex-Gov. Chas. Sprague announced that he would be a candidate for senator this year.

Two senatorial contests at the same election is a novel one in Oregon. The other race will be between Wayne Morse and Sen. Rufus C. Holman, at the May primary for the republican nomination.

Mr. Ellsworth, who had been at home in Roseburg a few days, following the funeral of Senator McNary, announced that he would be a candidate at the May primary to succeed himself as congressman from this district.

State Senator Wm. E. Walsh and Ralph T. Moore, Coos county representative in the legislature, have both announced that they would seek renomination as republican candidates at the May primary and the outlook is the brightest that they again will represent this section in the legislature next winter. Both should be renominated and re-elected, for they made the best of records at the last session. If elected, Mr. Walsh will probably be president of the senate at the 1945 session.

Whom the democrats may nominate to oppose these men, or what democrats will seek the nomination in May, has not yet been announced, but that there will be a contest in November goes without saying.

## Carload Of Paper Sent From Here

The first carload of waste paper was shipped from Coquille last week. This paper had been carefully graded and bundled and represented many, many hours of work by the local salvage committee.

Proceeds from the sale of this salvage will be divided among charitable institutions, schools, Scouts, etc. It is learned that over 900 pounds of collapsible tin tubes were turned in by local people in the drive which just ended.

Paper, tin cans and fats are still needed, and salvage work on these items will be on a permanent basis.

## Chinook Brings Warmer Weather

With the minimum thermometer reading for the past two nights up around the 50 mark it would seem say to say that spring has "turned the corner."

The rainfall since our last report has been 3.62 inches, bringing the total since Sept. 1 up to 31.48 inches, which is still considerably below the average for this time of year. With more than six months of the rainy season past and less than three to go for the 1943-44 period, it will require a lot more of this Chinook warm rain to bring southwest Oregon up to its 65 inch average record for the year.

Last Friday morning's reading of precipitation showed .87 of an inch, none Saturday a. m., 1.27 Sunday morning, none Monday, 2.1 Tuesday, .01 Wednesday and .46 this morning.

## Ration Board To Be Closed March 14 and 16

The War Price and Rationing Board will be closed the afternoons of Tuesday and Thursday, March 14 and 16, between the hours of 12:30 and 4:30 p. m. to enable all the Board personnel to assist with a National Survey.