

### O. & C. Land Exchange Program

(By County Judge Felsheim)

The O. & C. land exchange program, whereby Coos county is to trade certain lands in the eastern part of the county for the purpose of consolidating areas, and effecting better management possibilities, was resumed at a meeting held at the court house Friday when it was decided to proceed with the exchange on a smaller unit basis.

According to L. D. Felsheim, county judge, instead of attempting to make one deal covering all the property under consideration, it was decided to first consider only lands in the area where O. & C. grazing leases are held by adjacent land owners. Urgency exists in the Fairview district because of a new federal order to revise grazing rates and because federal timber sales are being held up pending the proposed exchange.

The County Court has solicited the advice and assistance of the County Land Classification Committee in making land selections and appraising values. The three members, Ellis Dement, Ed Detlefsen and C. W. Kline, met with the Court. The O. & C. Administration was represented by A. P. Collins, Roseburg, Assistant District Forester. Members of the Land Classification Committee agreed to give their time in personally inspecting the lands in question and have already begun. The first lands coming under consideration are situated in Township 27 South, Range 12 West. In this area are included some 5,000 acres of O. & C. lands offered for exchange. These lands are situated in 13 different sections, including 1, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 27, 33 and 35. In order to provide sufficient lands acceptable by O. & C. in Township 27, the County may have to extend selection of its available land eastward into ranges 11 and 10 respectively.

It was at first thought the entire exchange program should be postponed until after the war, but because of the situation arising which affect grazing and timber interests, the partial plan was decided upon, each unit in the exchange to be complete in itself, but keeping in mind the final pattern of blocking county and federal holdings.

### Large Sums In This State Fund

The six per cent ceiling of the unemployment benefit fund increased by more than six millions to \$25,093,557 for 1944 as a result of the high wartime pay rolls, it was announced today by the State Unemployment Compensation Commission.

During the same period, however, the trust fund increased nearly 18 millions to well over \$48,000,000, practically insuring that no penalty rates will be in effect this year, it was pointed out. Under the experience rating provisions of the law, individual tax rates over the normal 2.7 per cent cannot be assessed when the fund is over the "ceiling."

Computation of the annual ceiling and floor is based on average total annual payrolls for the past five years, as reported by February 1. The 1939-43 average was \$418,225,946 as compared with the 1938-42 average of \$317,567,371.

Although the 1943 taxable payrolls reported by February 1 were \$715,874,982, the total wages paid by nearly ten thousand covered employers last year are expected to run close to \$800,000,000 when all returns are in. Contributions were paid on less than a quarter billion dollars for 1940, last pre-war year.

In addition to the savings by reason of no penalty rates in 1944, Oregon employers will save several millions in unemployment taxes through reduced rates down to as low as one per cent. Under the experience-rating system, rates are figured annually on the basis of the reserve credited to each employer. More than two-thirds of the covered firms will be entitled to experience rates, because they have had the requisite three complete years during which benefits might have been paid their employees. Last year employers saved about two and a quarter millions in reduced taxes and this year's savings may well be double that figure. The new rates will be announced later in March when tax blanks for the first quarter of 1944 are sent to registered employers.

See Schroeder's Jewelry Store in Coquille for Diamonds and Watch Straps. 11fs

### Pimples Disappeared Over Night

Yes, it is true, there is a safe harmless medicated liquid called Eloxex that cures up pimples over night. Many report that they had a red sore pimply face one night and surprised their friends the next day with a clear complexion. There is no risk. The first application must convince you of its value. Only \$6. Join the happy Eloxex users who are no longer embarrassed with unsightly pimples. Sold and recommended by

**BARROW DRUG CO.**

### Prepare Now For Summer Canning

Wise homemakers, who are looking forward to a busy canning season will start now to plan for their canning needs, states Dorothy Bishop Dunn, county home demonstration agent. Steam pressure canners should be examined thoroughly and if any repair parts are needed, they should be ordered immediately, directly from the manufacturer. All repair parts, even for older models are available now and orders received early will receive prompt attention. Persons in doubt of the manufacturer of their pressure canner can obtain this information upon request.

Miss Lucy Case, extension nutritionist of Oregon State College, recently returned from the National Food Preservation Conference held in Chicago, reports that the Conference went on record as recommending the steam pressure method for canning all the low-acid vegetables, which would include all common vegetables except tomatoes and vegetables pickled before canning. Although the War Production Board has authorized the manufacture of 400,000 new pressure canners this year, every old pressure canner that can be made usable will be needed also on the food front.

In addition to the replacement of repair parts, pressure gauges need to be tested annually for accuracy. If the gauge seems to be inaccurate, the safety valve should be checked to be sure it is working right. Many a gauge registers inaccurately because the safety valve of the canner is clogged stiff with grease or food. Safety valves may be cleaned by removing the petcock and valve, and soaking in vinegar a short time. Draw a string or narrow strip of cloth through the opening.

Persons desiring to have their pressure gauges tested are asked to detach them from their canner, label them with name and address of owner, and send them to Mrs. Dunn, County home demonstration agent, Court House, Coquille, accompanied by 50c and an additional 25c if the glass is broken. These will be sent in a group to the laboratories at Oregon State College for testing. When gauges have been returned, plumbers paste should be used on the threads of the gauge when screwing it back on the canner.

### Coquille May Be On S. W. Airways Route

Expansion of air transportation to the nation's smaller cities and towns, chiefly through establishment of area (feeder) airlines of the type proposed by Southwest Airways for serving Coquille, has been recommended by Civil Aeronautics Board examiners.

In expanding direct air service to the smaller communities, the examiners urged that new routes provide a combination of passenger service and air mail-air express pick-up. They clearly made known their decision that these could be operated by new, independent aviation companies.

The examiners recommended that hearings on applications authorizing use of helicopters be deferred until models suitable for commercial operations actually exist, terming them "still in the development stage."

Heavy stress was placed upon the need for economical operation of the new routes, "to keep the cost to the government through the compensation for the transportation of mail within reasonable limits." It suggested a maximum rate of 25 cents per mile for carrying air mail.

Southwest Airways in its testimony during the hearings, had stated that the routes proposed in its application now pending before the Board could be operated for approximately 35 cents per mile. Company officials predicted that the additional revenues from carrying passengers would make it possible to reduce a 25-cent mail compensation substantially, "within a relatively short period of time after operations are underway."

The examiners recommended that use of single-engine aircraft with a single pilot be considered satisfactory. Southwest, however, plans to use twin-engine aircraft, carrying from 10 to 12 passengers and from 800 to 1000 pounds of mail, staffed with both a pilot and co-pilot.

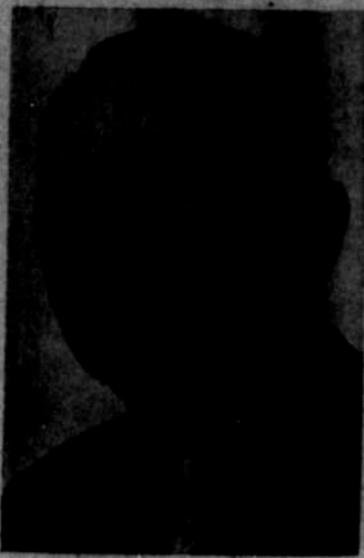
Southwest Airways officials reiterated their belief that their application would be one of the first to be considered, due to the transportation needs of the areas they propose to serve. Collection of data proving Coquille's need for area airline service will begin "in the next few weeks," they stated.

### AFFLICTION

Extraordinary afflictions are not always the punishment of extraordinary sins, but sometimes the trial of extraordinary graces.—M. Henry.

Remember — Norton's for office, school and home supplies. 37fs

### Seeking Election As County Judge



L. D. FELSHEIM  
Serving as county judge for Coos under appointment, has filed as a candidate on the Republican ticket for nomination for that office at the May primaries. Judge Felsheim, who is publisher of the Western World at Bandon, is making a splendid record as one of the Coos County Court and there should be no question as to his nomination in May or election in November.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all our friends for the kindness and sympathy extended to our family since the departure of our beloved wife and mother, Mrs. Mary Annis Ward.

Thank you, also Miss Aileen Wilson and Mr. Robert Burns for the beautiful music and Rev. Charles Brown for the comforting message.

Mr. Paris Ward  
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ward  
Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Ward  
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ward  
Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Smith

### Ganning Will Help Win The War

"Preserve the Surplus and Help Win the War" will again be the watchword of any girl or boy in Coos county who enrolls in a 4-H Canning project for the 1944 season in preparation for the preserving of foods from the home vegetable garden, announces Mrs. Dorothy Bishop Dunn, county home demonstration agent. Last year 89 members in Coos county enrolled in the Canning Club project and put up 4531 quarts of food. Grace Ann Nelson of North Bend is the first enrollee for the 1944 program.

Although it is possible to help out at home in the canning of foods, doing it as a 4-H club project will set a goal toward which to work, provide accurate information of safe canning methods, and will be a means of obtaining recognition for the part the club member plays in the nation's food preservation program.

"4-H Canning Clubs should be organized early," states Mrs. Dunn, "early enough so that several meetings can be held before the close of school or before food is ready to can." Arrangements may be made for each club member to do all the required work by herself or on a Mother-Daughter basis as was carried on last year.

Canning projects include all methods of food preservation: Canning, Drying, Freezing and Storing, and is divided into four divisions. Division I girls are required to preserve 25 quarts of fruit; Division II, 35 quarts of fruit or 25 quarts of fruit and 20 containers of jam; Division III, 15 quarts of fruit, 15 containers of jam, 25 quarts of vegetables, and 10 containers of pickles, or 25 quarts of fruit, 30 quarts of vegetables, and 10 containers of pickles; Division IV, 10 quarts of fruit, 10 containers of jam and jelly, 20 quarts of vegetables, 10 containers of pickles and relishes, and 15 quarts of meat, fish or poultry. Where the girl does the work on

### R. N. A. Has Donated \$22,367 To The Red Cross

The Royal Neighbors of America "All American Fund" was sponsored by the Society in the year 1942 to commemorate its forty-seventh anniversary for the purpose of soliciting voluntary contributions from members and Camps to be sent to the American National Red Cross for its

a Mother-Daughter basis record amounts must be doubled. Each member keeps a record of the work done and upon completion of the project sends it to the County Extension office. The canning projects may be done as clubs or by individual workers. A standard club consists of five members and a competent leader. Any girl in Coos county between ages of 9 and 21, whether rural or city, is eligible to enroll. Additional information will be furnished upon request.

blood plasma program. On July 27, 1942, the total sum of \$21,163.05 contributed by Camps and members up to that time was sent to the American Red Cross. Since that time the additional sum of \$1,204.24 has been contributed to the All American Fund. To date the total sum of \$22,367.29 has been sent in the name of Camps and members of the R. N. A. to the American National Red Cross for its war time blood plasma program. A letter received from the National Headquarters of the Red Cross expressing its appreciation for this contribution stated that this contribution would be the means of saving the lives of several thousand soldiers wounded on the battlefields of the world.

Phone 222R, to Art Hooton for your electrical wiring and repair needs. He is located north of the ball park on the Fairview road. 52fs



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

### The Secret Weapon in Dan Mason's Attic

Dan Mason was always what we call a "string saver." When he unwraps a package he rolls up the string—folds the paper—and puts them both in his attic for safe-keeping.

"Never can tell when things'll come in handy," says Dan.

And you should see his attic! Stacks of paper, balls of string, empty bottles (Dan being a moderate man and sticking just to L. & W. old horseshoes—and goodness knows what-all.

We used to kid him a lot. But then comes the scrap drive, and

Dan sets a record for the metal and the paper he contributes. And the glassmakers owe him a medal for the empty bottles he turns in.

From where I sit, Dan's one up on us all. What's more, he's got us doing it too—collecting scrap, returning empty bottles—not because somebody makes us do it, but because it's the Democratic way of working together to win the war.

Joe Marsh

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## LOGGERS and MILLWORKERS: IT'S UP TO US TO "PASS THE AMMUNITION"!



**"MORE TIMBER!"**  
is a battle order from Naples to Rabaul . . .  
550,000 carloads of lumber are asked by the  
Army and Navy for boxes and crates alone in  
1944 . . . to move supplies to the fighting fronts.

**THIS IS OUR MOST CRITICAL YEAR!** The attack is under way—on all fronts! Our own troops and allies will need 34 billion board feet of lumber this year. Over 16 billion board feet—nearly half of the total—will go into wood boxes and crates and paper cartons to move ammunition, guns, food, and other supplies up to the battle fronts.

There is no need to tell you that the men and women of the Western forests

are going to supply the lion's share of wood for war again in 1944. This is the Northwest's mightiest "MUST!" We have the timber, the equipment, and the timbermen of experience. It is up to all of us to "pass the ammunition!"

**A RUNNING START!** Loggers and millworkers of the Douglas Fir region can be proud of their record for the first quarter of 1944. Timber production is well ahead of that for the same period of 1943. But the war needs are also greater than ever before. Let's tell the world—"We'll keep 'em booming!"

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