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Ex-Governor Sprague In Coos Wednesday Speaks In Coquille

Charles A. Sprague, ex-governor of Oregon and candidate at the primary on May 19 for nomination on the Republican ticket as U. S. senator to succeed the late Chas. L. McNary, was a Coquille visitor on Wednesday and was guest at a luncheon in the Coquille Hotel Coffee Shop at which a score were present. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. W. E. Walsh of Marshfield and Mayor H. K. Franklin of Bandon.

The former governor, who has been in eastern Oregon, believes he has a splendid chance to emerge victorious in the primary, and stated that there would be no mud-slinging in the campaign with the present appointed occupant of the office, Guy Cordon.

He thanked the ladies and men who took time off from their busy day to attend the luncheon and hear his few remarks. He was introduced by Dr. R. F. Milne, who is helping manage Mr. Sprague's campaign in the county.

The ex-governor said the greatest need for an Oregon U. S. senator is to consider what the interests of this state require and that we must fight to protect Oregon's interest in the post-war period. Building a bridge from war to peace, from the high plateau of universal employment to the bottom of unemployment, must be seriously considered or we will have another depression like that of the 1920's.

Mr. Sprague declared the east did not want to see the industrial development of the west, and mentioned chrome as one of the items in which the eastern manufacturers have shown their hand.

The United States must maintain a strong fiscal and financial system or a mountain of debt will crush us when the war is over, and his vehement statement was that positive action must be taken to prevent a war every quarter of a century.

He does not favor giving U. S. charity to the world in unlimited proportions but believes we can give emergency relief on the same basis as we do in the Red Cross.

He favors a substantial military force for a time and believes the United States can work out with its allies a collective security program which will be effective. Unless all nations can be taught to desire peace there cannot be world peace.

Congress, in the next few years, will have a great responsibility in correcting the mal-administration of national affairs for the past 10 or 12 years.

Mr. Sprague concluded with the statement that he believed his experience as newspaper publisher and as governor of Oregon had given him a great deal of knowledge as to how Oregon should best be represented in the state and his ambition is to go to Washington, D. C., to help bring support for the needs of the people in his home state.

Mr. Sprague had attended a breakfast in Marshfield that morning; went from here to Myrtle Point and then to North Bend for an evening banquet in a whirlwind campaign through Coos county.

Those meeting the ex-governor here for the first time were strikingly impressed by the grasp he has of national affairs and the natural ability he possesses makes him an outstanding choice to represent Oregon in the U. S. senate.

County Auditor Wm. H. Wann Died Wednesday

William H. Wann, county auditor for Coos county for upwards of a quarter of a century, passed away early Wednesday morning at the Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene. Bill had not been well for several years but death was caused by pneumonia, after a severe illness of several weeks.

Funeral arrangements are pending the return of Mrs. Wann and the body to Marshfield. A son, Lieut. T. J. Wann, also survives.

Two Of U. S. Fighting Forces Home On Furlough

Well known Coquille valley young men who have been or are on furlough from the past week or more are Sgt. Dee Krantz, who has been across the Atlantic, and Karl Alpine who enlisted nearly three years ago and has been stationed at Trinidad in the Caribbean. He arrived home Monday evening.

81 Degrees Here On Wednesday

Yesterday's 81 degree recording of the thermometer was the highest so far this spring and it felt as though it was higher than that. Some thermometers which get more reflected heat got up to 86.

Last Saturday and that night's rain of .07 of an inch brings the year's precipitation up to 38.81 inches, way below our ration quota.

Burr Covering More Of His Lot

Extension of the building which Geo. F. Burr contemplated when he put in the first unit of his shop building, just west of the city hall, was started last week when workmen began to cover a tract, 50x60 feet, to the east of the original building and south of the city hall.

The very heavy upright timbers were not necessary for roof support but are needed for support of the 10-ton hoist which is to be installed in the new room.

O.P.A. restrictions prevented his getting tongue and groove sheeting for the roof and he has to use a one-inch sheeting which will be covered with roofing paper and tar.

Mr. Burr says he will soon have two new logging trucks on the floor here, the first brought to Coos county in many months.

Geraldine Furnish Dies From Scalding Sunday Evening

That was a frightful tragedy out on the North Bank road Sunday noon when little Geraldine Gail, three years and nine months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Furnish, fell into a vat of hot or boiling water which her father had heated preparatory to butchering a hog.

Mr. Furnish and Ole Anderson, who was helping him, had stepped around the barn when they heard the little one scream. She had come out of the house and with childlike curiosity had tried to look into the vat and fell in. Her second scream brought the men running to find her standing in the vat with all her body, except one shoulder, below the neck almost parboiled.

Dr. Rankin was called and after bandaging her body took her to the Myrtle Point hospital, where she passed away at 6:30 that evening.

The services are being held at the Schroeder Chapel at two o'clock this afternoon, Rev. W. M. Anglin officiating, and interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

Her parents came here from Delta county, Colorado, five years ago, and she was born out on the ranch July 21, 1940. Besides her parents she is survived by a brother, Thomas, and grandparents—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. White, all of Coquille.

Cranberry Cannery Receive National Achievement Award

The local employees of Cranberry Cannery are naturally very much elated over the recent announcement that the company's plant at Hanson, Mass., was one of the 100 food processing plants in the United States which have received the A Achievement Award for their fine outfit.

Taken To The Penitentiary

Jacob Jerrod Kinney was taken to the pen at Salem by Sheriff Howell this morning, he having been sentenced by Judge King on Tuesday to one year for threatening to commit a felony. The incident happened at Marshfield where he struck his wife in the face where she is employed, used foul and abusive language, and threatened to kill her. For three hours after being lodged in the Marshfield jail he acted like a maniac, beating the bars with his hands, screaming and cursing.

Rev. J. T. Lewis At St. James' Church Sunday at 9:00 A. M.

The Rev. J. Thomas Lewis, of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Marshfield, will celebrate Holy Communion, at nine o'clock Sunday morning, at St. James' Church, Coquille. Mr. Lewis will also preach at this service which will be a song service. This will be the only adult service, due to the resident vicar's absence. Regular service will be continued on May 14th.

July 4th Celebration Committees Were Named Tuesday Noon

The entire meeting of the Coquille Chamber of Commerce directors, in the hotel coffee shop Tuesday noon, was devoted to discussion and planning for Coquille's July 4th celebration, and President Oerding announced that after much persuasion, Mayor O. L. Wood had finally consented to act again as general chairman for the annual event which has been receiving state-wide recognition in recent years.

Clarence Oalka brought up the question of endeavoring to have a county-wide Queen contest, expressing the opinion that outside Myrtle Point little co-operation could be secured in a queen contest. His opinion was generally concurred in and the sponsors of candidates for Queen and Princesses will be confined to the Grange and local organizations.

Just what form the percentage handicap will take, to prevent the contest from being a strictly two service club affair, will be decided by the committee, but some plan of handicapping will be adopted to prevent a repetition of the last two years' campaigns when only the Lions and Rotary clubs candidates had a chance.

The celebration, scheduled for three days, July 2-3-4, will really open on Saturday night, July 1, with a big dance.

Attention was again called to the business house window patriotic displays for which prizes are to be offered.

The Boy Scout participation is expected to be quite a feature this year. It is planned to have a Scout camp set up, probably in Myrtle Park, and an effort is to be made to have uniformed Scouts in the parade on the 4th with all troops in southwest Oregon in line.

A meeting of the general committee, will be held in the city hall next Tuesday evening. Those who will serve on the general committee with Mayor Wood were named by President Oerding as appear below, each of those appointed being asked to name the one who will serve on the committee with them. The chairman are:

Solicitation—W. H. Fortier.
Street Sports—R. A. Jeub.
Street Parade—Larry Lundquist.
Dance & Publicity—L. W. Claver.
Decorations—R. L. Stewart.
Entertainment—Lafe Compton.
V. Girl Contest—Clarence Osika.
Lunch—Geo. H. Jenkins.
Parking—Geo. F. Laird.
Concessions—J. A. Elrod.
Finance & Information—C. G. Caughell.
River Sports—Jack Moore.
Queen's Parade—Stan Sherwood.
Horse Parade—J. L. Smith.
Square Dance—B. W. Dunn.
Window Displays—E. Albarn.
Boy Scout Camp—P. Albarn.
Ministerial Assn.—Robt. L. Greene.
Music—Wayne Smith.

F. D. R. SEIZURE WILL BE A CAMPAIGN ISSUE

It's quite difficult to understand the mental workings of the Roosevelt worshippers, like Dorothy Thompson and other writers, who excuse the president's dictatorial action in the Montgomery-Ward case, when he commanded the Army to seize control of this private concern which is not engaged in a business connected with the war, and which may have a very potent effect this fall in defeating the fourth term ambition of the White House incumbent.

There is not a private business in the United States which can consider itself immune from such Hitlerite action if the president should take it into his head to stretch his self-seized dictator powers.

Rain Comes Down And Then Up On Guadalcanal

The picture of Don McClellan, who formerly was with a reconnaissance crew on Guadalcanal, appeared in last Sunday's Oregonian picture page. Don had written his mother, Mrs. F. L. McClellan that when it rained there the water comes up from the ground below almost as fast as it comes down from the sky. The men sleep in tents and recently Don was awakened by the barking of the dog in his tent. As he became conscious he realized that he was completely covered with water, except for his face, and the barking dog was swimming around inside the tent.

Calling cards, 5c for \$1.00.

Dr. Dubach To Speak When 39 Receive Diplomas

Dr. U. G. Dubach, dean of men at Oregon State College, has been secured by Supt. E. W. Dunn to make the commencement address at the Coquille High School graduating ceremonies on the evening of Wednesday, May 17, two days before the Coquille schools close.

Dr. Dubach, who has spoken here on several similar occasions in the past is a dynamic and forceful speaker, one whom the people of the valley always enjoy hearing. He has not announced the subject on which he will talk.

The exercises will be in the high school gym auditorium at 8:00 p. m., on the 17th.

Class speakers are to be Mary Lou Newton and Winifred Van Fleet. Chairman of the school board, Dr. J. R. Bunch, will present the diplomas to the 37 graduates who will be there—two will not—and music will be furnished by the High School Band, the Girls and the Boys Glee Clubs. Honor awards to the outstanding students of the class will also be made at that time.

Jim Howe and Frank Woodward are the two graduates who will not be in attendance, they already having enlisted in the Navy and are receiving training for service. The other members of the graduating class are:

Adline Ann Anderson
Dona Lue Gladys Bales
Barbara Ann Barrows
Ben Barton
Dorothy May Beagle
Jeanne Dorothy Boyle
William Andrew Briner
James C. Bunch
Louise J. Butler
Philip A. Clausen
Vernon K. Eldredge
Mary June Foote
Kenneth Dale Hooton
Benjamin F. Howe
Virginia-Lee Lindsay
Robert A. Madley
Ralph S. Meyers
DeWayne W. Mitchell
Sandra Neff
Mary Lou Newton
Virginia Oden
James A. Peart
Glenda Maxine Richardson
Gwendolyn Pearl Rogers
La Velle Roth
Jessie Marie Sherwood
Marie Joyce Standley
Barbara Jeannette Stone
Peggy Eve Tomlinson
Wilma Winifred Van Fleet
Claude Lee Varney
Phyllis Laurine Walton
Waneta M. Wardrip
Maxine Vivian Wherest
James Howard Young
Edward E. Stevenson
Fred Currie Kunz

Lions-Rotarians Sponsor P. A. System

A committee of Lions, Lloyd Claver and Ray Jeub, met with the Rotary club at their weekly luncheon at the hotel Wednesday and it was agreed that the clubs should jointly sponsor the purchase and installation of a public address system in the Community building.

The acoustics of the hall are such that with a crowd in the main auditorium, it is almost impossible to hear anything from the stage and a P. A. system would solve this difficulty. The system selected will cost in the neighborhood of \$1700.00.

Ex-Governor Sprague was present for the beginning of the meeting and gave a splendid five-minute talk on the place of Rotary in the post war world. Mr. Sprague is a member of the Salem club.

President-elect J. S. Barton gave a brief report on the district convention which he attended in Victoria, B. C., last week. Rotarian Harry Nasburg, Marshfield, was present as a guest, as were also Ernie Clausen, of Broadbent, and George Abbott, of Eugene.

Sgt. Carl Johnson Married At Spokane, April 22

Mrs. R. C. Johnson returned last week from Spokane, where she went to attend the marriage of her son, Sgt. Carl Johnson, who is stationed at Geiger Field near there. Carl's bride was Miss Helen Fitzgerald, a niece of Stanley Fitzgerald of Coquille, whose home was in Provo, Utah.

The Sentinel, by whom Sgt. Carl was formerly employed, joins his many friends here in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Mrs. Estella Dunn Buried Yesterday

Mrs. Estella M. Dunn, a resident of Coquille for the past 37 years, and widow of a former Coquille city marshal, E. M. Dunn who died about 15 years ago, passed away at her home on South Heath street at three o'clock Monday morning. She had not been well for some time.

Rev. Chas. G. Brown officiated at the services held in the Gano Funeral Home at 2:00 p. m. Wednesday. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

Mrs. Dunn was born Dec. 31, 1866, at Farmington, Iowa, and was four months past 77 years of age at the time of her death. Her marriage to Ellison M. Dunn occurred Jan. 29, 1885, at Trenton, Mo. Of the two children born to them, one died in infancy.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Edna Rakestraw of Coquille, and a brother, H. B. Warren, of Yakima, Wash.

Mrs. Dunn was a very active member of Mammie Rebekah lodge here. She was past Noble Grand and had been honored many times by the order. Her original membership was with the lodge at Chewelah, Wash., and she transferred her membership when the family moved to Coquille.

She was a most estimable lady and her passing is sincerely regretted by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

B. P. W. Club Year's Work Mostly In War Effort

The report of the War Activities chairman of the Business and Professional Women's Club has just been completed for 1943-44 by Viola Newton. Last year the Sentinel printed their report for war activities for the previous twelve months and the information proved interesting to many readers. The report for this year shows increased war effort on the part of members of this organization, which is composed entirely of women who work and in many cases who are also housewives managing a home as well as an outside job. The members have fifteen sons in service and one has a daughter in the Waves. Three members are wives of men wearing the U. S. uniform and every member is closely related to men and women serving their country.

The club members subscribed to a fund which was part of a national B. P. W. project to raise money to assist Chinese women to become trained for nursing.

When Commander Scott sent out his radio call for donations of "junk jewelry" to use among natives on islands in the South Seas, the Coquille B. & P. W. club responded with a good-sized collection and there has not been a single instance in which the local club has failed to respond to every request or suggestion to do something on the home front which will be to the benefit of the boys on the battlefield.

It is a really remarkable record which the ladies of the Coquille Business and Professional Women's Club have made, as shown in the following report by Mrs. Newton:

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Senator Holman To Be Here Next Thurs., May 11

Extensive preparations are being made here by those who are supporting Senator Rufus C. Holman as a candidate for U. S. senator to succeed himself, for a dinner in the Coquille Hotel Shop next Thursday evening, May 11, at which the senator will make the principal address.

Everyone interested is invited to attend the affair and hear Senator Holman talk about conditions in that political hotbed of the nation's capitol.

Seeks To Go To Republican National Convention

Dr. Joel C. Booth, of Lebanon, and state senator from Linn county, was in Coquille Wednesday in the interest of his candidacy as a delegate to the Republican national convention in Chicago this summer. He is a life-long Republican who favors Dewey for president but will vote for the Oregon Republicans' choice.

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be at the Coquille city hall again next Tuesday, May 9, between nine and four o'clock.

One Of The Most Beautiful Of City's May Day Feles

A strikingly beautiful pageant of Springtime was the effect given last Friday night at the Community Building when lovely Queen Winifred was crowned by Mayor Wood on the occasion of the Annual May Festival and Dance, presented by the Coquille Woman's Club.

The entire side lines of the big hall were crowded with spectators when uniformed military police from the Coast Guard led down the rope and cleared the way for the grand march of the royal court which preceded the entrance of the stately queen and her six charming princesses.

The first thrill was the sound of a snappy air as the beautifully uniformed high school band entered the hall and stepped to their own time, led by a smart drum major to their position at one side, below the stage. Then followed the two young heralds with silver trumpets and interest quickened with the sound of horns, which announced the imminent arrival of a royal party. Next came the parade of the little green pixies and the most colorful groups of flowerers, the Roses, Daisies and Blue Bells. Muriel Dae's six violinists and Thora Watson's eleven singers were next in line, followed by fifteen Junior High girls, all wearing long evening formal and carrying May baskets.

A sweet little group of tiny flower girls, dressed in white satin floor length dresses carried baskets of petals. Spaced to give proper importance came the six charming princesses. Dressed alike in flower printed dotted swiss, the girls made a beautiful picture as they entered, carrying nosegay-type bouquets too beautiful to describe.

And then the really breath-taking beauty of Queen Winifred herself tall and stately, in white satin gown with a regal six-foot train. She carried a bouquet of pink roses with trailing ribbons. Preceding her was a small lad in a white satin page suit, carrying the crown of pearls which rested on a satin pillow. Three adorable little boys also in white satin suits held up the queen's train.

Following the design of march which lasted long enough to give spectators a chance for a close-up of the individual participants, the entire court formed in position before the queen on the dance floor level. This grouping with the queen and her attendants on a spectacularly beautiful stage made a long-to-be remembered picture. The clean white of the chairs and the throne with the white steps in the foreground were set off by tall rhododendron trees in bloom and the added daintiness of a flowering fruit tree, tall urns filled with sprays of spirea and garden jars of turquoise blue. The light cast by six handsome torches placed to the side of the stage was a finishing touch.

A short program of band music, under the direction of Wayne Smith, was played for the queen's pleasure, followed by a chorus of girls voice, accompanied by six violins and the piano, singing "May time" and "Allah's Holiday," all of which were enthusiastically applauded.

Medford Fuller's orchestra supplied the music for dancing and they were highly praised by all.

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J. W. Hildenbrand Seeking Nomination As Commissioner

J. W. Hildenbrand, of Marshfield, a Coos Bay resident for the past 38 years—long enough to have a pretty good idea of what Coos county's needs are—was a Coquille visitor Tuesday in the interest of his candidacy for nomination on the Republican ticket on May 19 for the office of Coos county commissioner.

A Marshfield business man for nearly two score years, Mr. Hildenbrand's political card states that he is "not sponsored by anyone," and his pledge is "fair consideration for all taxpayers." See his advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Auction of Saddle Horses At Myrtle Point May 7

Anyone want a good saddle horse? Joe Wise, from Sherman county, is advertising that 18 head of good ones will be sold to the highest bidder at the S. P. stockyards in Myrtle Point this coming Sunday, May 7. Also in the auction will be three teams of work horses.