

# The Coquille Valley Sentinel

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## Three Full Days Planned For Coquille's Fourth

The Coquille July 4th celebration will open on Saturday evening, July 1, with the Victory Girls' parade, followed by the crowning of the queen who will reign over the celebration in the Community Building. A dance is to follow the crowning. The candidates for queen and their sponsors are:

Maxine Whereat — Jr. Woman's Club.

Gloria Hagan—F. O. Eagles.

Roberta Stonecypher—Lions.

Gwen Elrod—Rotary.

Marybelle Yarbrough—Am. Legion.

Waneta Wardrip—Coquille Grange.

Virginia Lindsey—B. & P. W.

Phyllis Litzberger—Women's Club.

Gwen Rogers—Sawmill & Timber Workers Local, No. 2770.

On Sunday, July 2, the river sports program will be the big event. Besides the boat parade, with participants contesting for prizes for the best decorated boats, there will be log rolling, log bucking, high climbing and other sports. A dance in the Community Building is scheduled for that evening.

Street sports will headline the Monday, July 3rd program, with the Old Time Square Dancing contest on an outdoor platform. There will also be Jitterbug Contests along with the Matinee dance in the Community Building Monday afternoon.

Medford Fuller's orchestra will furnish the music for the dance in the building that evening and at the afternoon and evening dances on Tuesday.

On Tuesday, the 4th, the parade will include floats, bands, several Boy Scout Troops, more than 100 horses, and decorated cars.

From the results J. L. Smith is achieving, the horse show at the ball park Tuesday afternoon will probably be the largest event of that kind ever held in Coos county.

Concessions of all kinds will be located in the basement and in front of the Community Building for the three days.

The Boy Scout camp in Myrtle Park, back of the Community Building, will be a feature of the celebration which no one will overlook.

Prizes for the best decorated store windows will be awarded but details of that feature have not yet been announced.

The committees in charge of this Glorious Fourth celebration, which will rival or excel any yet attempted, are:

O. L. Wood—General Chairman.

Lloyd Claver—Publicity & Dance.

Jack Moore—Water Sports.

J. L. Smith—Horse Show.

Clarence Osika—Victory Girl Contest.

Ray Jeub—Street Sports.

Larry Lundquist—Parade.

Iris Elrod—Concessions.

B. W. Dunn—Square Dance.

Phil Alborn—Boy Scout Camp.

C. G. Carghill—Information.

Stan Sherwood—Queen's Parade.

## Andrew Grassley of Langlois Buried in Portland Tuesday

The body of Andrew Grassley, prominent dairyman and pea grower of the Langlois district, 46 years of age, was taken to Portland on Tuesday by Schroeder Bros. for interment. He passed away at his home last Friday.

He is survived by his widow, their two sons and daughter of Langlois, and a brother, Chris. Grassley, of Coquille.

## Last B. & P. W. Meeting June 19 For 1943-44 Year

The last regular meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club for the fiscal year will be held at the Episcopal Parish House next Monday evening, June 19. All officers and committee chairmen are asked to have their annual reports completed and ready to hand to the secretary for the club files.

## New Grand Jury Drawn In Circuit Court Monday

John P. Dillon, of Marshfield, was appointed by Judge King as foreman of the new grand jury selected on Monday. Other members of the grand jury are Jas. H. Whitty, W. G. Willie and Ruth Wade, of Marshfield; Gladys M. Kesner, of Coquille; Florence Evans, of Arago, and John C. Merchant, of Eastside.

## War Bond Drive Opened Monday

The Coos county 5th War Loan Bond drive, with a county quota of \$1,978,000, got under way Monday. Of this nearly two million dollars, the Coquille quota is for a total of \$300,000; \$125,000 worth of E bonds and \$175,000 of all other kinds included in this drive.

Coquille is second in the county of the total amount it is expected to raise. Marshfield stands first with \$285,000 worth of E bonds and \$968,000 of other bonds, while North Bend is in third place with a quota of \$110,000 worth of E's and \$100,000 worth of others.

Myrtle Point with \$90,000 and \$150,000 stands in fourth place and Bandon, with \$70,000 and \$150,000 is in fifth. Empire and Charleston, combined, are expected to sell \$15,000 worth of E's and \$25,000 of others; while Powers and Bridge, Hauser and Lakeside, for each of those two sections are listed at \$12,500 worth of E's, no others.

The campaign for the sale of these bonds, which is a small matter compared with what the boys who are offering their lives may undergo, will continue until July 8.

## Mrs. Howard Pointer Buried Monday

Mrs. Howard C. Pointer, who had been ill for the past two years and who was brought to the hospital here from Portland a few weeks ago, passed away last Friday, and funeral services were held in the Schroeder Chapel at two o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. Liston Parrish officiating. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

She was born Edna Belle Wright February 8, 1892, at Tigard, Ore., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wright, who moved to Beaver Hill in this county in 1896 and the next year to Coquille, where both passed away many years ago. She was four months months and one day past 52 years of age.

She and Mr. Pointer had lived in Portland the past two years, Pete being employed in the shipyards there.

Mrs. Pointer was a member of the Neighbors of Woodcraft and the Eagles Auxiliary and the latter's drill team was present for the services on Monday.

Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Eula May Brown, of Coquille; three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Bohlender, of Sacramento; Mrs. Anne Larson, of Reno, Nev., and a brother Jesse D. Wright, of San Francisco.

## Cedar Camp Employee Crushed To Death in Curry Co., Monday

Paul Berryman, about 55 years of age, and an employee at the Port Orford Cedar Camp on Sixes, was killed on the road there on Monday when the road grader turned over and crushed him. He had jumped on the grader—he was not the driver—when he saw it heading for the bank, but could not stop it and when he saw it would turn over, he jumped off but not in time to save himself.

Schroeder Bros. shipped the body to Walla Walla, Wash., his old home, on Monday for interment.

## Junior Commandos Deliver 600 Pounds Paper To Salvage Depot

The 16 Junior Commandos of Coquille, of which Mona Pingleton and Pat Rust are the leaders, last Thursday delivered to the salvage depot here 600 pounds of paper and magazines which they had collected in less than a week of house to house solicitation.

Chairman Geo. F. Burr compensated them for it at the regular rate paid to organizations which do this work, 50 cents per hundred.

## Radio Repair Shop To Be Moved One Block Soon

Oscar Hendricks will move his radio repair shop from the Ellingson Building, opposite the hotel entrance, to the rear ground floor room of the B. L. Tracy building, formerly the W. O. W. building, on Taylor street, as soon as the repairs and remodeling now in progress are completed.

## Paid \$100 Fine and Released

Jack Lee, arrested May 25 for driving while intoxicated, pleaded guilty in circuit court Monday and was sentenced to 30 days in jail, plus a fine of \$100. He paid the fine promptly and the jail sentence was suspended.

## School Meetings June 19 and July 10

Besides the annual school meeting in School District No. 8, next Monday afternoon when Mrs. Maxine Jeub will undoubtedly be chosen as a director to succeed Dr. J. R. Bunch who is not a candidate, the meeting for the consideration of the school budget will be held at 7:00 p. m. on Monday, July 10. Only taxpayers may vote at the budget meeting but every voter in District No. 8 may vote his or her choice for director.

## City Budget Hearing July 10

The city council, at an adjourned session Monday evening, completed consideration of the Coquille budget 1944-45.

July 10, at 7:00 p. m., was set as the time at which taxpayers who have objections to any items or wish other items included, will be heard. The total estimated general fund budget is \$48,555, and the total for the water fund is set at \$32,222.50.

The budget in detail appears on page 10 of this issue of the Sentinel.

## Lions Dance For The P. A. System

The second service club dance, the net from which will be used in the purchase of a public address system for the Coquille Community Building, will be held in that building Friday evening, June 16, — ten to one o'clock—and will be sponsored by the Coquille Lions club. Admission, including tax, will be 90 cents for either lady or gentleman. Medford Fuller's orchestra will furnish the music.

Just what stunt the Rotarians have up their sleeves, to contrast with the Lions' hilarious appearance at the Rotary-sponsored recent dance will not be divulged until that evening but it's a safe gamble that will be worth seeing.

All Victory Girl candidates will be introduced from the stage during the big Lions-Rotarian dance Friday evening.

## Country Club Seeking Members

With the assurance that the Coquille Valley Country Club course and club house will be in the best of condition at all times, under the able management of Mr. and Mrs. Pat McLarrin, an active campaign is now being waged by the Coquille and Myrtle Point committee members, to secure as many devotees of the game — either new or former members, young or old — as quickly as possible so that the funds will be available for keeping the course in top shape.

The membership fee is \$25, to which the federal government requirement of ten per cent for entertainment tax must be added, making the fee \$27.50.

Anyone of the following will be glad to receive membership applications — Lou Holimon, Frank Martin, O. L. Wood, George Laird, of Coquille; P. C. Roper and Ralph Kring, of Myrtle Point.

## County Health Officer Quits After a Month's Service

After having been on the job for two days over a month as county health officer, Dr. Byers left a few days ago to accept a position in Texas at a higher salary than Coos county was paying him. The county had a contract with him but Judge Felsheim says the county court did not deem it advisable to try and hold him against his wishes and released him from his contract.

At the present time the health department consists of two ladies, Mrs. Elrod, county nurse, and the stenographer in the office.

## New Pastor Arrives For Coquille Church of God

Rev. and Mrs. Walter Lee Greer arrived in Coquille from Gordon, Nebr., last week to take charge of the Church of God. They have taken up residence in the parsonage apartment of the church at 392 N. Henry St. Mr. Greer succeeds A. L. Perry, who moved to Powers about six months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John Purkey returned Wednesday evening from a week's trip to the Tacoma and Seattle markets, where he expected to find items for the furniture store here.

## Clean-Up Week Starts Friday

It is indeed fortunate that the city officials have declared the week of June 16-23 inclusive as Clean-Up Week.

Under the press of wartime activities many local people have been inclined to let their yards and parking areas become uncared for and unsightly. This not only detracts from the appearance of the city, but with the advent of the dry season constitutes a serious fire hazard.

The purpose of having Clean-Up Week at this date is that the city will be neat, and one that all can be proud of for the month of July celebration. Paper and tin cans will be picked up for salvage. Everyone will have that long desired opportunity to clean up their property and have refuse hauled away.

Directed by E. E. Benham, city and private trucks will start picking up both salvage and refuse on June 22. All material to be hauled away must be on the curbing on that date. There will be no second calls.

Transportation and manpower will be limited and all persons who can haul their own waste to the city dump are urged to do so. There will be no charge during this week and the dump will be open from 4 to 7 p. m. A city employee will be in charge.

A handbill is to be distributed to all houses in the city. This will carry full instructions for the drive, including the handling of scrap for salvage. Everyone is asked to read these instructions and follow them closely so that this undertaking will be a success in every way.

## Will Collect July 4th Funds Next Week

W. H. Fortier, chairman of the July 4th funds soliciting committee, states that the committee will start its solicitation the first of the coming week and hopes to complete its labors in a single day. Bill says there will be no high pressure tactics used and he hopes everyone will have his or her decision made as to what they can contribute to the celebration so that the committee members can get through quickly and back to their own businesses. There will be four of them canvassing the city.

## The Lairds Found It Hot In Portland Last Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Laird and their daughter, Mrs. Jean Bryan, returned Sunday evening from their trip to Portland on which they left last Wednesday. George says the thermometer stood at about 90 there on Saturday, and he had a chance to tell those to whom he talked about how much more salubrious Coos county's climate is. The thermometer here last Saturday did not get much above 70 degrees.

## Misses Martha and Patricia Berg Entertain Visitors

Misses Patricia and Martha Berg returned home from their second year of school in California the last of the week. They were accompanied by Patricia Lynch, daughter of Commander and Mrs. Wm. A. Lynch of San Francisco. All three girls graduated from the high school department of the convent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Berg were at San Rafael for commencement exercises last week. Patricia graduated with honors, was a member of the Optima Society, received the English award and received honorable mention in music. Besides making a record for scholarship, she also received the Grace Walker Courtesy award.

Kay Leslie, who came down to Coquille from Portland last week with her father, is visiting with the E. E. Leslies. Kay, Patricia, Martha and Patricia Lynch have all been spending a few days at Laurel Lake.

## R. N. A. State Supervisor In Coos County Last Week

The Royal Neighbors State Supervisor, Mrs. Mae E. Logan from Portland, was here last Thursday. A new candidate, Mrs. Baula Neely, was initiated. On June 8 at Powers an all-day session was held and Mrs. Logan supervised a school of instruction made up of representatives of Royal Neighbors. The Thursday evening meeting here closed with a lunch served by Mrs. Al Burch and Mrs. M. D. Sherrard.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Nosler returned by Sunday morning's train from Portland, where they had gone last Wednesday night. They also report it quite hot in Portland on Saturday.

## Amzy Mintonye Legion Commander

Under the able leadership of the Post Commander C. G. Stem, a vast amount of routine business was cleaned up at the American Legion session Monday evening. This had been accumulating because of the stress of more urgent and important matters.

A good many of the veterans who were on the cemetery clean-up detail were unaware that there were so many service men resting in the two cemeteries here, and it was reported that there were several graves discovered after the detail had gone, which no one evidently knew were there or they had been forgotten through the years.

Our Memorial Day services at the Liberty theatre were a success from every point of view, through the unflagging efforts of Commander Stem, although some comments were made about the erratic order of fire by the firing squad. This was due to the fact that when our ammunition detail examined the store of munitions there seemed to be plenty there but most of the shells did not fit the guns in use, therefore the entire service needed to be curtailed to fit the supply of usable shells.

The commander appointed two committees on the fourth of July celebration, the concession committee being Frank Schram and the parade committee, George Ransom and Walter A. Miller.

The Post went on record deciding to continue the regular meetings through the summer months, instead of taking a vacation during July and August.

Our queen candidate, Marybelle Yarbrough is on the job getting votes and plans are being made to assist her in her efforts.

The election of officers was a lively interesting affair. After the smoke (Continued on page eight)

## Red Cross Surgical Dressings

With the arrival of much gauze, surgical dressing classes will resume their work of folding dressings.

It has been necessary to move the work rooms from the First National Bank Bldg. and, as yet, no suitable place has been made available down town.

The first class will meet at the home of Mrs. J. R. Bunch Wednesday, June 21, at 10:00 a. m., with potluck luncheon at noon. At that time plans will be made for future work. This will include all members of both classes and any new members wishing to help with this important work at this time. Call Harriet Greenough, Virginia Lamb, Helen Howe or Louise Bunch for further information.

## Edgar McDaniel's Grandson Dies From Fall From Car

That was a tragic accident in North Bend Saturday evening when the 6½ year old grandson of Publisher Edgar McDaniel of the Coos Bay Harbor, died Sunday morning as the result of injuries he received when he fell out the door of the car driven by his father, Harold McDaniel. The boy's mother was in Portland and Harold was taking the boy to the show when in rounding a corner the door flew open and his son, Larry, fell out, sustaining fatal injuries.

Mrs. McDaniel came home at once and has been practically prostrated since.

The funeral was held on Tuesday this week.

## May Meetings At Assembly of God Are Full of Interest

The special services at the Assembly of God are continuing with unabating interest. The attendance has been good, reports Pastor L. C. Persing who is pleased with the meetings' progress.

The pastor says the meetings are nightly, except Monday and Saturday, beginning at the hour of 7:45 p. m., and are open to the public which is urged to attend.

Evangelist May and his message is such that it has an appealing force full of kindness yet without compromising the truth. His warm personality is built into every sermon and makes one feel well repaid for having been in the service. Mrs. May sings at almost every service and many have remarked on the quality of her voice and message in song.

A special announcement has been made that the Friday evening service will be one of special prayer for those who are sick or in ill health.

## County Road Plans For Post-War Work Given Committee

Coos county's post-war road improvement program, covering a five-year period at an estimated cost of \$877,682.00, was explained at a meeting of the Veterans Employment Service committee, held at the federal employment office in Marshfield Tuesday evening by County Judge L. D. Felsheim and County Roadmaster F. A. Robb.

The committee is composed of representatives of various veterans organizations, employer groups, unions, lodges, and other interested organizations, which are uniting in making plans to provide suitable employment for returning veterans of the present war.

A summary of the county's program indicates the reconstruction of 30 miles of gravel and top soil roads at an estimated cost of \$187,460.00; 135.5 miles of resurfacing at a cost of \$407,574.00, of which 93.5 miles include treated surface, and 42 miles of gravel and top soil; 28 miles of road widening at a cost of \$56,000.00; seven miles of relocation of roads at a cost of \$43,700.00. New bridges needed number 23 at an estimated cost of \$178,446.00; one bridge to be widened at a cost of \$4,500.00.

Funds to defray cost of the proposed projects are to be provided through property tax, gas tax, motor vehicle license revenues, and O. & C. timber funds. Cash sums are being set aside each fiscal year to cumulate and build up a reserve, and it is expected that federal legislation will be had to provide match money on perhaps a 50-50 basis. Such legislation is now under consideration by congress.

The zone system of road maintenance was explained by Roadmaster Robb who stated that the county is divided into six zones and the money spent is allocated according to a formula based on mileage, traffic, population, assessed valuation, etc. All factors are taken into consideration in order to assure equitable distribution of funds, both as to maintenance and new construction. No one section of the county is favored over another.

Figures provided by the roadmaster's department for a nationwide survey being conducted to determine county needs show that Coos county for the years 1939 through 1941 spent for construction annually an average of \$33,582.00; for maintenance, \$147,543.00; current county mileage, 647.

Indicating the county's readiness to start work at the termination of the war, Roadmaster Robb reported that a number of projects would be ready immediately and that plans for 50 per cent of the entire program would be ready by January 1, 1945; 90 per cent by January 1, 1946. — County Judge Felsheim in the Western World.

## Rotary Will Sponsor Boy Scout Troop

President Larry Lundquist announced at the meeting of the Rotary club on Wednesday that the directors had voted to sponsor a third Boy Scout troop for Coquille.

Ralph Kalsner, of Marshfield, district supervisor of the Scout movement, and Lloyd Claver and Evan Alborn of the Lions club were present and all gave talks on Scouting.

Gwen Elrod, Rotary candidate for Victory Girl at the coming 4th of July celebration, was present and started her campaign of ticket selling. Other guests present were Perley Lund, of Coquille; Carl Fromm, of Portland, and Sgt. S. Johansen, of the U. S. Army.

## Bound Over On N.S.F. Charge

Jim M. Harriman was bound over to the grand jury by Justice Bull last week on an obtaining money under false pretenses charge and in lieu of \$2000 bonds was placed in jail. The offense charged was that he gave a \$10 check to W. J. Baines, without having any money in the bank to cover a check.

## 1939-1940 Tax Foreclosure To Be Advertised Soon

A. O. Walker, head of the tax department, stated yesterday that delinquent taxes are still being paid in at a good rate. Some who have not yet paid their 1939 or 1940 delinquencies will be interested in knowing that the tax department is working on the tax foreclosure lists for those two years and expects to have it ready for advertising late in July or early in August.