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## Council In Session An Hour And A Half Monday Evening

The city council, at the regular session of that body Monday evening, approved the agreement made with Marc H. and Emma Shelley for a new right-of-way through their ranch east of the end of Second street, the city's road to the Rink creek reservoir. The city agrees to fence the new right-of-way, both sides with a three-rail fence and with posts eight feet apart. The agreement also provides for acceptance of the deed from the Shelleys.

Two resolutions were adopted providing for quit claim deeds to be issued to Geo. E. Oerding for city-owned lots which he had purchased on contract and for which payment in full has been made. One property was the former Ira Johnson place on Spurgeon Hill for which the contract price was \$650, and the other the former Wm. Brown lot on North Henry, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, for which the city has received \$107.09. It is lot 2 in block 9 of North Addition.

Through Councilman Geo. Burr, Jack Hultin inquired if there would be any objections on the part of the city to his hauling logs down Second street to the highway from a tract east of town where he is figuring on a second-growth fir logging operation. City Engineer Gearhart expressed the opinion that not more than two-thirds of the weight allowed on the state highway should be permitted on that lighter base pavement. Mr. Hultin has not yet made application for a permit.

The Train building, corner of Front and Hall streets, on which county taxes and street improvement taxes are past due, to the amount of \$1000 to each of the municipal and county corporations, came up for consideration. It was stated that Mr. Train was willing to give the city a deed to the property, but until some arrangement is made with the county for its interest in the property, the city is not asking Mr. Train, who is now at Lebanon, for a deed. As it stands the building is a menace and it is doubtful that any permit to repair it would be justified. The city has had inquiries from local people who would like to purchase it when clear title can be given.

City Engineer Gearhart reported on the recent sewage disposal state conference held at Corvallis. While the cities in the Willamette valley are in a different position from Coquille, the conference was mostly concerned with the specimens of sewage now being dumped into the Willamette river which makes it in reality an open sewer.

The only point where Coquille is interested in the conference action, Mr. Gearhart said, is to know how much the Coquille sewage amounts to so that definite plans can be made for an adequate sewage disposal plant here after the war. The council has already taken steps toward financing such a plant as it is now required by the state laws.

## Boy Scouts Back From Summer Camp

Scouts Duane Livengood, Jack Sisk and Bryce Tracy, of Troop No. 14, returned from Camp Lucky Boy last Sunday evening. Two Scouts, Don Pierce and Jimmy Clark, stayed for another week. Scoutmaster Phil Albom spent three days with the boys over the week-end and brought them home.

Camp Lucky Boy is located fifty miles out of Eugene on Blue river and contains one hundred and sixty acres of timber land with about a half mile of river winding across it, and with good fishing, swimming and boating facilities.

It is owned by the Oregon Trail Council and is quite a wonderful camp for a large bunch of boys. The cost to the boys of attending this camp, including board, is \$10 per week.

Albom states that he believes that the fun, good fellowship and training that the boys receive there, "if it were possible to obtain them in a private camp," would cost five times that amount.

He hopes that most of the boys in his troop may attend next year.

Mrs. F. C. True arrived home from Palo Alto Tuesday morning after a three weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Owen H. Knowlton.

## Eagles' Bldg. Fund Growing Rapidly

Reports from the Building Committee for the Coquille Eagles Lodge are very optimistic and if the first week of the campaign to raise funds for a new Eagles' Home in Coquille is any criterion to go by, the committee can feel certain that their goal of \$30,000.00 will be attained.

The funds are being raised through the sale of debentures which are non-interest bearing and will be redeemed by the Lodge when funds are available after the completion of the building. The building committee, whose members are Geo. Burr, Julius Benham, Warren Davis, J. O. Berglund and F. R. Bull, outline their plan as a worth-while post-war project which will eventually be self-liquidating. They point out the fact that the drive for funds at this time will in no way conflict with purchases of war bonds as all of the money received from sale of debentures will be invested in bonds as rapidly as it is acquired, and it will remain in the bonds until it is required for building purposes.

A real interest in this project is being shown everywhere it is mentioned, which is best evidenced by the fact that more than \$3000.00 or one-tenth of the total goal has been reached during the first week the debentures have been on sale. The committee wishes to thank the business men who are not Eagles, for the fine spirit of co-operation they are showing, several hundred dollars of the first \$3000.00 worth of debentures having been purchased by non-members.

## B. P. W. Club Met In Log Cabin

The little log cabin in the front yard at the J. F. Beyers' residence was the setting for the regular meeting of the Coquille Business and Professional Women's Club on Monday evening, August 7. Mr. Beyers had built up a long table with benches under the huge myrtle tree beside the cabin. The ladies assembled for a picnic supper which had been prepared by Mrs. Beyers, and Jess was kept as busy broiling hamburgers over the open fire and helping to roast corn on the cob as The Sentinel predicted he would be in last week's issue.

This hamburger supper at the Beyers' cabin has been an annual affair for the past five years.

A check showed that nine of those attending on Monday evening were present for each of those meetings. They are Jennie Price, Viola Newton, Florence Barton, Saima Caughell, Hazel Hanna, Ida Oerding, Inez Rover, Martha Mulkey and Ruth Beyers. Others present this year were: Bess Maury, Leah Rover, Cherie Mae Hartwell, Belle Knife, Mabel Johnson, Idyle Godard, Eva Stevens, Jessie Kay, Margaret Snider, Edna Kern, Gladys Gano, Bertha J. Smith, Arlene Robertson, Grace Rackleff, Hattie Lee Holimon, Claire Hultin, Laura Brandon, Irene Hartwell, Helen Beyers and Head Cook J. P. Beyers.

The early part of the evening was spent in eating supper and in exploring the garden with its fruit trees, berry vines and giant bean stalks.

After the last bite of watermelon had been disposed of the group, assembled in the house for the regular business meeting, called to order by the president, Eva Stevens. Group singing was led by Arlene Robertson, accompanied by Inez Rover. This was followed by the regular business of the club.

Among the pieces of correspondence read was a very interesting note from the former Lois Fenn, now Mrs. Jesse DeWald, of Canyonville.

The reports of the standing committees showed that the club is getting an exceptionally good start for the year's work. Ida Oerding, chairman of the finance committee, announced that the club would soon be sponsoring a rummage sale and members were requested to get their contributions ready.

The next meeting will be on Monday, August 21, probably at the home of Mrs. Georgia Richmond.

## O. T. Nelson Has Bought A Ranch Near Woodburn

O. T. Nelson, who has been operating the Alpine Pop Corn Stand across the street from the Sentinel office for several months, is elsewhere advertising it for sale. He recently bought a ten-acre ranch, partly in berries, near Woodburn in the Willamette valley and expects to move onto it by the middle of this month.

## The Rotary District Governor Visits Local Club Wedn'sday

District Governor Wm. D. Shannon, of Rotary International whose home is in Seattle, Washington, was the guest of honor and speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Coquille Rotary Club on Wednesday.

Taking as his subject the four principal objects of Rotary, Mr. Shannon gave a talk that indicated a very comprehensive study and held the close attention of his listeners.

District 101, of which he has charge is the largest international district in the world and is comprised of the state of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, British Columbia and the territory of Alaska and contains over a million square miles. There are 95 clubs in the district and all of them in a year's term presents quite a problem under existing wartime conditions.

Mr. Shannon met with the directors and committee chairmen of both clubs at a dinner meeting of both Myrtle Point and Coquille at Myrtle Point Wednesday evening.

Rotarian guests present at Coquille were Lou Pearce, Bert Pearson and John D. Carl, of Myrtle Point. Other guests were Lieut. Robert E. Morrison, of the Air Corps, and Jas. Nogues, of Laramie, Wyoming. Capt. Fred Lorenz, home on a furlough and who automatically holds his membership while in the service, was also present. Dr. J. E. Stark was able attend after his recent operation.

Mr. Shannon was presented with a myrtlewood bowl by the local club, Clarence Osika making the presentation speech.

## John Leatherwood Back From Europe

Word has been received that Sgt. John C. Leatherwood has arrived in Virginia from service with the Air Corps in Italy and Corsica. He expects to visit with his family and friends here, within the week, although the exact date of his arrival here is not known. His wife, Sara, and son are making their home with Mr. and Mrs. Parker Leatherwood, John's parents, in Myrtle Point.

While in Italy, John completed more than 50 missions over Nazi territory.

## Fair Gets \$1461 From Race Betting

County Treasurer Stauff reports that \$287,000 worth of the \$357,000 worth of Coos county bonds called for payment have been presented and he is anxious to get in the \$70,000 worth so he can get them all paid. The interest has stopped on all of them.

The treasurer has also received from the state racing commission Coos county's share of fees collected by the state from betting at race meets, which is to be turned over to the Coos-Curry County Fair Association. The amount is \$1,461.11.

## Four Of His Children In Coquille Visited W. R. Foote

D. L., W. E. and A. O. Foote and Mrs. Helen Atkinson have returned from Los Angeles, where they were called about a month ago because of the serious illness of their father, W. R. Foote, an old time Coos county resident who is nearly 80 years of age. All but two of his 13 children were there; one son, H. S. Foote, coming from Louisiana. D. L. Foote, who returned Sunday, said he had not seen the Louisiana brother for 36 years. Their father was considerably improved in health when they left.

## Twin Girls Born To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stevens

Two baby girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stevens of this city, at the Mast Hospital in Myrtle Point yesterday, Dr. L. B. Gould officiating.

The little misses, who weighed six pounds, two ounces, and five pounds, two ounces, had not yet been named this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens' older child, a boy, is 2½ years of age.

## Another No Damage Fire

The fire alarm at 2:50 Monday afternoon called the department out to Tenth street where a grass fire had gotten started, across the street from the high school. It was quickly extinguished.

## Special Meeting Pioneer Association Held Last Saturday

The special meeting of the Coos-Curry County Pioneer-Historical Association held at the Coquille city hall last Saturday was well attended. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by President A. H. Bender for the purpose of transacting any such business as might come before it. Among these matters were the auditing and payment of bills, the appointment of numerous committee chairmen and also general round-table discussion of the various problems and their solutions, which usually come up in such organizations which embrace so large a field.

The meeting, however, was most gratifying to all those present, because of the outstanding harmony and friendly cooperation between the past and present presidents of the Association, and especially the splendid spirit of cooperation expressed by Mayor O. L. Wood, of Coquille, in his talk to the meeting and which concerned a building for the housing of the museum.

As expressed by the Mayor and other members present, a museum such as would be assembled by the Pioneer-Historical Assn., should be of some concern to the community at large, as it would be an expression of what the founders of society had in hand to accomplish the things that we enjoy today.

Another matter brought up by Chas. Stauff was that of recognition of each other by old time friends, when they see one another at the annual gatherings. Many of us, no doubt, have had some experience in the matter and since Father-Time is ever busy running deeper and deeper the furrows in our faces, "it is no wonder, and this brings us to remember the admonition of a sage of old, when he said, "Go off to the house of thy friend, but the weeds obscure the path," and this means that if we attend these annual gatherings regularly, we will be spared the embarrassment of asking an old time friend what his name is.

The country at large owes much to those old heroines and heroes, who laid the foundation on which we now securely rest and to those of them who have gone to the Great Beyond, we salute your ashes, and shall write your virtues on the everlasting stone.

R. M. Harrison, Ass'n Press Cor.

## Margaret Hare, Charles Fry Wed

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at one o'clock Tuesday, August 8, when Margaret Hare and Charles Fry exchanged their vows at the Church of Christ parsonage. The bride wore an attractive powder blue tulle, with matching hat and black accessories. Her corsage was gardenias and pale pink rosebuds. The rooms were decorated with baskets of shasta daisies and pink and blue delphiniums.

This marriage unites a well-known local couple. Mrs. Fry owned and operated the Travelers Court in Myrtle Point until eight months ago, when she sold her business and moved to Coquille. Mr. Fry is a railroad man and has been a resident of Coquille for a number of years.

After a short honeymoon in California, the couple will be at home at 277 W. 10th street in Coquille.

## I.O.O.F. Picnic

Attention, Oddfellows and Rebekahs! The annual Oddfellows' picnic will be held at the Norway Grove on next Sunday, August 13, with dinner at 1:00 p. m. All Oddfellows and Rebekahs and their families are urged to attend, bringing well filled lunch baskets. Coffee, cream and sugar will be furnished.

## Clarence A. Barton Here From Portland On Tuesday

Clarence A. Barton, of the U. S. Army, who has been stationed in Portland for the past three weeks following his trip back to Chicago from his former station in San Francisco, was a visitor at home on Tuesday this week. He was on a trip to southern Oregon for the department of the Army with which he is connected.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

## 76 Degrees Yesterday 50 Last Night

A subscriber in Indiana, who evidently has the intention of moving to the God-blessed Oregon country, writes to ask why the Sentinel does not print the daily maximum and minimum thermometer readings. There is really no reason why we have not, but this summer the range between the day's warmth and night's coolness has been from 15 to 25 degrees.

Yesterday, one of the warmer days this summer, the maximum was 76 degrees and last night the minimum was 50.

Coquille's maximum this summer, so far, was 79 degrees, 23 less than it was in Portland that day, and when temperatures of 117 are reported in other sections of the country, it leads to the wonder why Oregon is not jammed to overflowing with those seeking a more equitable and comfortable climate.

## Was On Hawaii Pearl Harbor Day

First Lieut. Gyrene Fitzpatrick, Army Nurse, was in Coquille and Myrtle Point the first of the week visiting old friends. She was accompanied by her father, James A. Fitzpatrick, and Mrs. Fitzpatrick, who had met her in Eugene where she arrived by plane from San Francisco on Friday.

Lieut. Fitzpatrick has been a part of the Army in the Hawaiian Islands for the past three years and two months and was on the Islands a year before that in civilian life. She was a nurse in a hospital over there at the time the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor and other points on the Islands but the hospital she was in was not bombed, only machine-gunned, but no one in it was injured.

She has a 21-day furlough, which she will spend with Fitz in Newport and in visiting relatives in eastern Oregon.

## Was Sure He Had Missed Something

We hear of one person who was not entirely satisfied with the Eagle-sponsored carnival here last week. He was a five-year old from Bandon whose dad had given him a ride on all six of the merry-go-rounds, etc., that were operating.

"Are you satisfied now?" asked his mother.

"No, mama, I didn't get to ride on the lion," was the prompt comeback. For those who did not see the act, it should be added that the trainer did ride the lion, which caused the youngster to think he had missed something.

Mrs. Edward DeTemple and daughter left last Friday evening for their home in Portland after spending two weeks here with her sister, Mrs. Georgianna Vaughan, while the latter was on vacation from duty in the county clerk's office.

## Marvel Skeels, Concert Singer, To Be Heard In Pioneer Church August 18



High spot for the month of August in Coquille will be the concert on the 18th when there will be an opportunity to hear Marvel Skeels, concert singer and church soloist of New York city. Mrs. M. O. Hawkins will accompany on the piano and Bobby Burns on the Hammond organ.

Assisting Miss Skeels will be Bobby Burns who will play a group of selections, on the organ. The concert will be held in the auditorium of the Pioneer Methodist Church at eight o'clock.

## Services For Mrs. Ethel Hartman Friday At 2 P. M.

Another Coos county pioneer passed to the Great Beyond Wednesday morning when Mrs. Ethel Baxter Hartman died at the Mast Hospital in Myrtle Point. She had been in poor health the past few years but Tuesday evening was going out on the porch here in Coquille, chatting with a neighbor, and feeling much better than usual.

Next morning Mrs. Hartman came home from the hospital where he found her helpless in the bedroom suffering greatly, and she did not live long after arriving at the hospital.

Mrs. Hartman was born in Marshfield March 10, 1861, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sloop, and she attended the Marshfield schools and later the old Academy in north Coquille.

On August 27, 1903, she was united in marriage to Charles Baxter, who passed away a number of years ago. On April 22, 1930, she was married to Marc C. Hartman. They made their home in Seattle and Bar View on Coos Bay until a year ago when they returned to Coquille.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a nephew and several cousins.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Gano Funeral Home Friday, Aug. 11, at 2:00 p. m. the Rev. E. E. Greene officiating. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery of Coquille.

## Orville Coy Is Injured In France

Mr. and Mrs. Orin Coy received a wire from the War Department Wednesday morning that their son, Private Orville B. Coy was "slightly injured" in France on July 19.

The last time they had heard from Orville was on July 14, the letter being written in England. Mrs. Coy thinks he went overseas about two months ago.

Orville has been in the Infantry about two years, is 23 years of age, and received his training at Camp Carson in Colorado and Camp Roberts in California.

His last furlough at home was from April 8 to 17.

## Cannery At County Farm Open On Wednesdays Only Now

Until such a time as the demand for an increase of operation of the cannery at the County Farm makes more days each week necessary it will be operated only on Wednesday.

The entire cannery plant has been renovated and rearranged and it is more conveniently fixed for those who come to do their canning.

Supt. McNelly asks that those who wish to can tuna, write and make an appointment before bringing their fish out to the farm.

Miss Skeels, who was born in Coquille, is the daughter of Mrs. Birdie Skeels and the late Chas. M. Skeels. Mrs. M. O. Hawkins was her teacher during the years spent at home. Advanced study in music took her east to New York and later she studied abroad. Her successes in New York upon her return from Europe are familiar to her friends here. This summer's concert is being sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church.