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## More Than 200 At Woman's Club Tea Tuesday Afternoon

The Woman's Club Tea held last Tuesday in the Guild Hall from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. proved to be a wonderful success. It was attended by two hundred or more and was given to honor the founders and past presidents. Also it was guest day, a general invitation to persons not members having been issued as well as a special message for the teachers to come. This brought a good response. There is reason to believe the idea of opening the club year with a tea may become a custom hereafter. So enjoyable an affair is not apt to be too frequent and Mrs. Roy E. Boober, incoming president, is to be complimented for the innovation.

Mrs. Boober and her board members, Mrs. Fred McNelly, general chairman of arrangements, and her committee; Mrs. U. E. McClary, head of the hostess committee, and her members, as well as many of the past presidents, were in formals and the hall was very gay with the many handsome gowns.

Mrs. Glenn Neideigh, of Bandon, played soft music on the piano during the receiving hours. The hall was especially attractive with arrangements of fall flowers and sprays of silver maple. A cold contracted a few days before the tea prevented Marvel Skeels from singing as had been planned. There was much disappointment voiced over this.

An unexpected guest was Maude Woodyard just in on a short visit from Eugene. Following a request to sing Mrs. Woodyard graciously consented.

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## Lewis Donaldson Here On Vacation

Lewis D. Donaldson, former Riverton boy who graduated from Coquille High about twenty years ago, was a caller at the Sentinel last Saturday. He and Mrs. Donaldson and their son came in on Monday last week from Omak, Wash., where he owned a variety store for the past five years. Omak is in the Okanogan valley, 100 miles north of Wenatchee and 50 miles south of the Canadian border and Lewis said it has been plenty hot up there this summer and he had been longing to go down to the old home town after reading that 81 degrees has been the maximum here this year.

Omak is the apple district, they have a big crop there this year, the price is good and they are expecting one of the biggest fall seasons they ever have had there. Lewis says his business has been quite satisfactory. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Donaldson, of Riverton. Mrs. Donaldson was formerly Miss Wilma Davis, sister of Mrs. R. T. Slater, and was employed in Slater's Variety Store for a time some years ago.

## Goes To Visit With 90-Year Old Father

Claire M. Gray is leaving today to join his two brothers, Dr. Clyde Gray and Claude Gray, lumberman, both of Tacoma, who will all go on to a family reunion in Minneapolis, Minn. The occasion for the reunion is the ninetieth birthday of their father, Elmer W. Gray, a Minneapolis attorney, and for years assistant county attorney in Hennepin county. Two sisters who will be present are Mrs. Oliver Wilson, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and Mrs. Baxter, wife of a Minneapolis physician. Their mother passed away in 1928. Mr. Gray will spend two weeks in Minneapolis.

## Public Invited To Services At Church Of The Nazarene

The special revival effort at the Church of the Nazarene at Ninth and Heath streets, is proving a very profitable time. Evangelist E. M. Arnold is doing the speaking and Mrs. Fred Ford is assisting in music at the piano. A number have sought help of the Lord, and most who attend seem to enjoy the presence of the Lord in the services, is reported by Pastor V. W. Anglin.

The services are to continue over Sunday, there being three services on Sunday: eleven a. m., two-thirty and seven-thirty p. m. Special seats are being brought in so all can be accommodated. The pastor announces the public is cordially invited to attend these services.

## Gwen Elrod Honored Queen Job Daughters



GWEN ELROD Honored Queen of Coquille Bethel Job's Daughters

The regular meeting of Bethel No. 15, of Coquille Order of Job's Daughters was held Sept. 5, with the new officers presiding, as follows: Honored Queen, Gwen Elrod; Senior Princess, Marianne Rackleff; Junior Princess, Pat Yarbrough; Guide, Laura Emily Ruble; Marshal, Roberta Medley; Recorder, Vera Bishop; Treasurer, Jeannie Griggs; Librarian, Ariel Crook; Chaplain, Phyllis Litzberger; First Messenger, Joyce Benham; Second Mess., Marion Moore; Third Mess., Sally Bonney; Fourth Mess., Alene Hunt; Fifth Mess., Bonita Miller; Inner Guard, Carol Gray; Outer Guard, Ann Harbison; Senior Custodian, Leota Neeley; Junior Custodian, Rose Marie Peart; Musician, Betty Preston.

The entertainment of the evening consisted in viewing the Fourth of July pictures taken by Dr. J. R. Bunch. The Honored Queen was also the queen who reigned over the festivities of the celebration.

## Two 3 O'Clock Fire Alarms

Last Friday's 3:00 p. m. call for the fire department was to the river, below the highway bridge on this side of the river, where someone, unknown, had started a fire on the dock of what was formerly the A. J. Sherwood boat house, the walls of which had long since fallen away. A boat lying on the dock was so much burned that the firemen shoved it into the river and a boat tied up alongside was burned on one side.

The call at three o'clock Monday afternoon was to the Sherman Lewis house on Sanford Heights, where the chimney fire which caused the alarm did no damage.

## County Treas. Stauff Remits To Cities And Districts

County Treasurer Stauff was remitting tax and other funds on Tuesday this week.

To the State Game Commission he sent \$54.25, one-half of the game violation fees paid.

To the State Forestry Service he remitted \$396.28 from the county's Fire Patrol fund.

To the Ports of Bandon and Coos Bay he sent tax receipts amounting to \$1,342.15, and to drainage districts \$969.63.

The city of Coquille received \$1,381.19 of the \$5,611.37 he remitted to cities in the county.

Some of the school districts in the county have not yet submitted the bonds of their clerks to the County School Superintendent for approval. Those districts, Special and Union High, which had complied, received from the county treasurer a total of \$8,303.39.

Harold Gould, who is stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., came in Tuesday evening to spend a week's furlough with his family and friends.

## Don Ross Reported Missing In France

Mrs. Donald G. Ross, of this city, received word on Tuesday from the War Department that her husband, who is the son of Mrs. Pansy Ross and the late Harry M. Ross, had been missing in action in France since Aug. 27.

Don had been in the Army for the past ten months and, after a stay in England, had landed in France on July 11. He was in the Army's Armored Division and was the driver of a tank.

The same day Mrs. Ross received the official notice she had received a letter from him written three days before the date he was reported as missing. They had been married nearly six years.

## Dewey 50,001 Club Organizing Here

The opening gun of the Oregon Dewey campaign was fired this week with the start of a drive to enlist all Dewey supporters in the "Dewey 50,001 Club."

The Club receives its name from the fact that 50,001 write-in votes were cast for Dewey in the Oregon primary. Members in the club pledge Dewey 350,001 votes from Oregon and victory in November.

The membership drive will be climaxed by the visit of Dewey to Oregon on the 19th of this month and will close at that time.

Dewey supporters may obtain their membership cards from Harry Slack, Art Berg, Joe Axtell, or any Republican precinct committee man or woman. Don Farr is in charge of the Coquille drive.

On page 4-A appears a facsimile of the card issued to club members in exchange for their \$1.00 membership fee.

## Early Mailing This Year Is Imperative

Postmaster M. O. Hawkins calls attention to the fact that Christmas packages for men in the over-seas service should be mailed as quickly as possible now, Oct. 15 being the last day for mailing if the recipients are to receive their packages by Christmas.

The postal department, like every other industry in the U. S., is short handed these days, more than 40,000 former postal employees being in the armed service, and the slogan "Shop Early and Mail Early" is more important of observance this year than ever before. Mailings for points in the U. S. should begin in November and be completed by Dec. 1. It is of course permissible to mark on all such holiday packages "Do not open until Christmas."

Not only packages but Christmas greeting cards come under the early-mailing requests as stated above.

## Geo. E. Oerding Completes Three Real Estate Deals

The home, at 331 W. Tenth street and owned by Bruce Cunningham, was sold by George E. Oerding to Paul McElwaine, who purchased it for his employee, Luther M. Kuhnheim, who will buy it from Mr. McElwaine on contract. Mr. Cunningham and his wife came over from Vale and were here for several days closing the deal.

Another deal completed by Mr. Oerding was the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Kuenzli, located at 280 East Second street, was sold to Mrs. Jennie C. Price, who has taken possession of the property. Mr. and Mrs. Kuenzli have moved into the home owned by Mrs. Edith Dunn.

The home at 352 N. Taylor St. and owned by Mr. and Mrs. Perry Neal of Marshfield, was sold to G. E. Johnson, who has begun to make extensive alterations and repairs and will offer the residence for sale as soon as complete and painted.

The three above transactions represent a sales value of over \$10,000.

## Horses Should Be Kept Off Of Lawns

Nearly everyone likes to see the boys around town who are going for horseback riding enjoy themselves but the youngsters should be careful not to damage other people's property. Tuesday evening several of them were apparently having a horse race and they cut directly through Mrs. A. J. Sherwood's lawn, cutting up the turf quite badly.

Old papers be a bunch.

## Mrs. L. A. Greene, Wm. J. Gaffey, Pass This Week

Mrs. Maude E. Greene, wife of L. A. Greene, 166 South Coulter street, Coquille, passed away at 12:45 yesterday afternoon at the Myrtle Point Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at the Gano Funeral Home at 2:00 p. m. Friday, Sept. 15, Rev. Chas. G. Brown officiating. Interment will be in Sunset cemetery at the Bay, where Mamie Rebekah Lodge, of which she was a member, will be in charge of graveside services.

Mrs. Greene was born Maude E. Thomason, at Glendale, Oregon, April 11, 1887, and was 57 years, five months and two days of age at passing.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene had lived in Coquille the greater part of the time for the past nine years and previous to that in Marshfield, where she had resided since she was 18 years of age.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two children from a former marriage, Fred Jensen, of Astoria, and Mrs. Phyllis Seward, of Oakland, Calif. The latter has been here since her mother entered the hospital.

Mrs. Greene is also survived by three brothers, Lee A. Thomason, of Cottage Grove; George Thomason, of Salem, and Dora Thomason, of Roseburg; three sisters, Mrs. J. A. Zimmerman, of Eugene; Mrs. Frank Hodson, of South Coos river, and Mrs. Mary Chase, of Auburn, Calif.; also by two grandchildren.

Mrs. Greene, who was a Past Noble Grand of the Marshfield Rebekah lodge, had transferred to Mamie Rebekah lodge several years ago.

She was a good, kindly and thoughtful woman, one who leaves hundreds of sorrowing friends who regret her passing.

## William Gaffey Buried Tuesday

William James Gaffey, a resident of Coquille for about 20 years and who had been in a hospital in Eugene for ten days for treatment of the heart trouble from which he had suffered for some time, passed away there on Sunday and the body was brought to Coquille for the funeral services which were held at two o'clock Tuesday at the Schroeder Chapel, Rev. R. L. Greene officiating. Interment was in Sunset cemetery at the Bay and graveside services were conducted by the Marshfield F.O.E. Aerie, of which he was a member. Coquille Eagles acted as pallbearers.

Mr. Gaffey was born at Marshfield, Feb. 4, 1882, being seven months and six days past 62 years of age. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Gaffey who came from Ireland and settled in Marshfield more than 60 years ago.

Bill Gaffey had been a coal miner the greater part of his life but more recently had engaged in carpenter work. He was highly regarded and well liked by all who knew him.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Hattie Gaffey, he is survived by two sons, Wilfred, who is in a Jap prison camp, and James, who is with the Navy in the South Pacific; also by a sister, Mrs. Katherine McGee, of San Mateo, Calif., and a brother, Bernard Gaffey, of Portland.

## Mrs. Darrell Brodie And Children Here From Texas

Mrs. Darrell Brodie, the former Margarita Agostino, and her two sons arrived here Sunday from Temple, Texas, where Major Brodie is stationed. After a week here visiting old friends and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Elden Brodie in Myrtle Point, she will go over to Burns for a visit with her mother and sister. Whether she returns to Temple in a month or so depends on whether Major Brodie has been moved before that time. At Burns Mrs. Brodie will see the new youngster recently born to Mrs. Geneva Norton, her sister.

## Surf-kist Peas From Langlois Find Ready Market

The fresh peas—Surf-kist—brought to the Safeway store here by Mrs. Andrew Grassley from her ranch in northern Curry county, are the best they have had this year, according to Mel Giles, the store manager. Not only is Mrs. Grassley supplying the local markets but she has already shipped out six carloads of Surf-kist this season.

## So. California Car Off The Grade, Burns

A 1935 Willys-Knight car, from southern California, was completely destroyed by fire about two-thirds down Bear creek hill this side of Bandon, at three o'clock last Saturday morning. The car turned over on a curve and hit a Mt. States power pole, knocking out service in that district and west to Bandon until repairs were made.

In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Booth, of Azusa, Calif., and Terry A. Mann, of Spokane. Mrs. Booth was driving at the time.

A passing car picked them up and brought them to Coquille where they were treated at the Belle Knife Hospital for minor injuries.

Mrs. Mann was a paying passenger, and his report of the accident here, brings to light that there are booking companies in Los Angeles which contract with those desiring transportation for a trip in private cars, the car owner receiving about the same amount as the bus fare amounts to for the trip and the booking company a fee of 25 percent of that amount.

## Horse Hung Itself Tuesday Evening

That pretty gray horse of Hugh McMahan's came to its death by hanging Tuesday evening. His ten-year old son, Mac, had been riding and when he returned home, he tied the animal on the side hill across from the Quick Apartment on First street. No one saw it happen but, in some manner, the animal slid down the slope a short distance, broke through some boards over a hole in the ground and when found by the police had died from hanging itself.

## Song Fest Feature At Rotary Club

The principal feature of the program at the meeting of the Rotary Club Wednesday noon was a session of singing, led by "Spike" Leslie, with Bobby Burns at the piano. Lou Hazard was soloist with "Home on the Range."

Ed Hughes told of progress in getting the tables, furniture, etc., arranged for the official opening of the Boys Club in the Community Building, which is scheduled for next Monday.

Rotarian guests present were Paul W. Miller, of Metropolis, Ill.; John Carl, Judge Dal M. King and R. C. Bowers, of Myrtle Point. Other guests were Donna Dean Bosserman, yeoman 3rd class of the Waves, stationed at San Pedro, Calif., who expressed her enthusiasm for the service and also told of attending a Christmas Rotary party when she was stationed in Oklahoma; Dorothea Yarbrough, who is leaving soon to join the Waves; Harold "Pete" Gould, who is with the engineers at Fort Lewis, Wash., and who gave a very brief talk, and John Ewell, of Roseburg.

## Clothing Needed For Peoples Of Devastated Countries

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church has been asked to assist in the nationwide drive for clothing used or unused, for the peoples of war devastated countries. This is a plan approved by the churches of America, Jews, Catholics and Protestants, alike.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Coquille is asking any one who can to bring clothing to the Methodist parsonage or the home of Mrs. Richmond, or to call Mrs. Clyde Minard, who will arrange to have it called for.

All clothing should be in by Sept. 19. The United Nations have asked for fifteen million pounds of clothing from America.

## Truck Owners Will Apply For 4th Quarter Gas Before Oct. 10

Truck owners should apply for their 4th quarter allotment of gasoline before the 1st of October.

Mail Certificates of War Necessity to the Coquille Rationing Board any time after September 15. Certificates of War Necessity received after the 10th of October will not receive the full allotment.

Alton Schroeder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schroeder, who is with the Greyhound Lines office in Eugene, was a visitor at home last Saturday, arriving that morning and leaving again Sunday morning.

## Coquille Schools' Registration Up 28 Over Last Year

Total registration in the three Coquille schools was 28 more at the end of the first week of school than it was a year ago, the totals being 773 now as against 745 last year.

The Lincoln building showed a loss of 36, while the increase in the high school was 41 and in the Washington building 23. Supt. Carl E. Morrison reports.

Total registration for each of the schools, this year and last, was:

	1944	1943
Washington	306	283
Lincoln	184	220
High School	283	242

The increase in attendance at the Washington Building is quite largely due to the enrollment of a class of 72 first graders compared to only 54 in this grade last year.

In the high school approximately 30 new students have registered from the Riverton district. Also a very large Freshman class has helped boost the total enrollment there. Enrollment by classes in the high school shows:

Freshmen	85
Sophomores	78
Juniors	66
Seniors	54

## Dewey To Speak At Portland Sept. 19

Thos. E. Dewey, governor of New York and Republican candidate for president, is to be the guest of the Oregon Republican Club at its convention to be held in Portland next Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 18-19. Gov. Dewey will not be there on Monday but will speak from Seattle at 7:30 that evening.

He will arrive in Portland Tuesday morning and will be heard over the NBC national hook-up between 6:30 and 7:00 o'clock Tuesday evening. He will speak from the open-air Stadium, or, should the weather be rainy, from the Ice Arena.

The Oregon Republican Club sessions will be held in the Multnomah Hotel and Wayne Morse, candidate for U. S. senator, will be the principal speaker at the Monday evening banquet at six o'clock. Business will be adjourned Tuesday morning for a reception of Governor Dewey upon his arrival in the Rose City.

## Harry Peltz Back In Civilian Life

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peltz, the latter the former Muriel Simpson, arrived back in Coquille last Friday evening. Harry, who was in the Army Air Corps for a couple of years, stationed at Buckley Field near Denver and for the last six months at Scott Field in Illinois, has just been discharged by the Army. He had to come west to Monterey, Calif., to receive his final papers.

They missed his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peltz, Sr., in Klamath Falls last week and the latter came in Tuesday afternoon from Portland for a day or two.

Harry, Jr., and wife expect to go up to Ketchikan, Alaska, in a couple of weeks, where he will have an aviation job, flying men and equipment into the interior for a logging operation.

## Wave Donna Dean Bosserman Home On A Short Leave

Miss Donna Dean Bosserman arrived home on leave last Thursday from her station in San Pedro, where she had been located for eight months. She came by train and states she met no difficulty in traveling. She had a reservation.

## Duck Club Officers Re-elected

At the regular annual meeting of the Fat Elk Duck club Tuesday evening, the same officers who served last year were re-elected for the coming year and the days for shooting and annual dues were designated. The officers are Claire M. Gray, president; F. L. Greenough, vice president, and J. Arthur Berg, secretary and treasurer.

Private Albert King, who spent 18 months in the Aleutians and has more recently been stationed at Ephrata, Wash., arrived here recently for a visit with his brother, John King, of Coquille. He expects to return to his base next week.