

# The Coquille Valley Sentinel

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## All Wage Increases Must Be Approved By U. S. Boards

The Coquille city hall was well filled last evening with Coquille employers of one of more who were present to hear three speakers from the War Labor Board and the U. S. Department of Labor tell of many important matters in regard to wages, their ceiling and floor, and other matters about employment. The three visitors also devoted an hour or more to answering questions propounded by the employers present.

To this writer the most important part of the talks led to the conclusion that in any case of doubt, as to what may be paid a new employee, or what increase in wages may be allowed an old employee, the sensible thing to do is to get in touch with the Regional War Labor Board, either with application or with a request for information as to what may be done without violating the rules laid down by the War Labor Board or the Department of Labor.

The speakers were Ray Jewell, stabilization director of the 12th Regional War Labor Board in Seattle; Chas. H. Elrey, branch manager Wage-Hour and Public Contracts Division, U. S. Department of Labor, at Portland, and Lew Bideler, of Medford, inspector in charge of Wage-Hour and Public Contracts Division, U. S. Dept. of Labor.

At the suggestion of Ray Jewell, Mr. Elrey and Mr. Bideler agreed that hereafter when the latter is to make his visits in Coquille that an advance notice will be sent to the Sentinel so that employers may know when and where to contact the inspector and present him with their wage and employment problems.

## Ladies' Night A Brilliant Affair

The Lions Club of Coquille Ladies' Night, held at the Coquille Valley Country Club house last Saturday evening, was a very enjoyable affair with more than 100 Lions, their wives and guests, in attendance.

During the excellent banquet served, the usual Lions' sing included "Li'l Liza Jane," "Home on the Range," "And the Band Played On," "Tulip and the Rose" and "For Me and My Gal." Dave Rackleff was naturally the song leader and E. S. Norton, with Mrs. Eula Neideigh as accompanist, furnished the musical selections.

Toastmaster for the evening was Stan Sherwood and the president's address of welcome was given by Jack Moore, and the response by Mrs. Maxine Jeub.

Under the heading of "Two Hundred Years of Cherry Tree Chopping," the following Lions were introduced and made responses: Evan Alborn, Dandy Lion; Wayne Smith, Stag Lion; Frank Martin, Clothes Lion; Robert Harbison, Yellow Lion; Phil Alborn, Fish Lion; Dick Barklow, Party Lion; Mayor Orville Wood, "You Ain't a Lion; Life Compton, Bread Lion; George Johnson, Honest Lion.

There are now 50 members of the Coquille Lions Club and the committees which arranged for this most successful banquet and dance were—Chairman, Burton Dunn; Tickets and Arrangements, Lloyd Claver; Decorations, Ray Dettelsen and Ray Buckles.

## The D. P. Pressnalls Expect To Return To Coquille Later

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Pressnall, who have conducted the Coquille Hotel Coffee Shop for the past year and had to give it up because of Mrs. Pressnall's health, expect to leave next Monday to see their son at Geller Field, near Spokane, where he is sent overseas. They will also visit in Portland with children there before returning to Coquille as he at present expects to do. Elsewhere in this issue they express their appreciation to the Coquille and traveling public for patronage and ask a continuance of it for Mr. Al Jones, who purchased their lease on the Coffee Shop.

## State Tax Commission Deputy To Be In Coquille Mar. 6

State income taxpayers are again reminded that a deputy from the State Tax Commission will be back at the Coquille city hall next Tuesday, Mar. 6, between 8 and 5 o'clock, to assist those applying in making out their state income tax reports.

## Coquille Fire Dept. Has Fine Record

DO YOU KNOW?

Not many people are aware of the fact that Coquille has an outstanding Fire Department. Unofficial records show that the Coquille volunteer department has consistently arrived at a scene of fire at the most distant point in the city in less than two minutes. Almost invariably fire fighting equipment is on its way to a fire before the siren stops. This record, better than most volunteer departments, is seldom equalled by a paid department.

The effectiveness of the Coquille department as shown by the latest State Fire Marshal's record gives Coquille one of the lowest fire loss records in the state. The per cent of loss to insured sound value is only 1.4 per cent. The average for the state is about three times as great.

It is of interest to note that the most frequent causes of fire as listed in order are:

1. Matches and careless smokers.
2. Overheated and/or defective stoves.
3. Sparks on roof.
4. Overheated and/or defective chimneys.
5. Hot grease, oil, tar, etc.
6. Electricity and/or defective wiring.

It is also of interest to note that the Coquille Fire Department, under the energetic leadership of Chief Craig Perrott, is instituting one new feature and reviving an old feature for Coquille.

The new feature is a Sales and Service for fire-fighting equipment. The department is now prepared to reinstate or service fire extinguishers of all types, and to supply individuals with the latest, most effective new equipment.

The old feature which is being revived is the annual Fireman's Ball. It promises to be one of the best dances of the year. Proceeds are to be spent for firemen's quarters and fire-fighting supplies. It will be worth while for anyone who likes good entertainment to attend this dance, March 10, in the Coquille Community Building.

## Rotary Dinner-Dance At Country Club

At the invitation of the Myrtle Point Rotary Club, the members of the Coquille Club and their wives met with them in a joint session at the Country Club last Thursday evening for a dinner and dance.

Both clubs were well represented and Judge Dal M. King, of Myrtle Point, acted as toastmaster. He called upon the presidents of both clubs, Henry A. Schroeder of Myrtle Point and J. S. Barton of Coquille and also upon J. Arthur Berg, first president of the Coquille Club, all of whom responded with brief talks.

The toastmaster then called upon Rev. Robt. Greene, who introduced the speaker of the evening, Capt. Hale B. Eubanks, who is here on a brief leave before reporting for overseas duty. Capt. Eubanks told of some of his experiences as chaplain in the Army and voiced an urgent plea for sympathy and understanding for the returning G.I.'s to aid them in their readjustment to civilian life.

There were some eighty guests present and all reported a very enjoyable evening.

## New Tie Sawmill Now Operating Near Golf Course

O. B. Finch and Geo. Matthews have started a three-man sawmill which they have been getting ready to operate for the past two months, across the road from the Coquille Valley Country Club grounds near Norway. They expect to get in full operation in the near future, cutting mostly ties which they can turn out at the rate of 100 per day. The equipment is so arranged that the logs and sawed chunks slide automatically down over the rolls which will make it possible for three men only to operate the mill.

## Geo. Brooks Buys Former Bond Building On Front St.

Due to the fact that Mrs. Lillias Machon has sold the frame building on Front street in which the Brooks Furniture Store has been operating to Clovis Church, George Brooks last week made a deal with the Chas. Dye estate, through J. A. Berg, for the purchase of the former Bond Market concrete building on the south side of Front, and will move his stock across the street some time this spring.

## The Coquille Red Cross Drive To Start Next Monday

The Red Cross drive, for funds with which to carry on its work during 1945, will begin Monday morning, Mar. 5. With the Granges in charge of the outlying districts, a committee of Coquille business men pledged to solicit the business houses and a house-to-house call in the residential district, the Coquille area will answer the appeal of the Red Cross by raising as its share \$6715.

The committee in charge of the drive, of which Rev. Robt. L. Greene is chairman, feels that there is little necessity for stressing the need for additional funds in 1945. More men and women in the service, more prisoners of war, more hospital service needed, a great call for life-giving blood plasma, these tell the story.

We gave last year, we'll give again now. It isn't just one more drive—it is the answer to millions of men and women in the service of their country—our country. They need our help! We are comfortable and safe—they aren't! We are the Red Cross! Our sons and daughters and friends rely on us to help. We can give them comfort through prisoners-of-war packages, clubs, clothing. We can give them safety through dressings, bandages, food parcels, medicine kits, and blood plasma.

The local committee calls for our greatest co-operation. Let's think of others. Whatever we plan to give—let's give more. Those soliciting are volunteer workers. Let's help them help others. Be ready and be generous. This is necessary. Last year's quota for Coquille was \$5400. In 1945 it is \$6715.

The treasurer of the drive fund is Robert L. Stewart, of the Mountain States Power Co. If you are not solicited, make your gifts through him. If you are down town, stop in at his office. If not, send a check made out to the American Red Cross.

Our theme this year should be "Everybody Gives," not by families, but by individuals.

## Junior Class Play Presented Tonight

Attention is again called to the C.H.S. Junior Class play, "Cross My Heart," which is to be presented in the high school gymnasium at 8:00 o'clock this evening.

The cast has been working faithfully in preparing themselves for this evening's entertainment, under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Beyers, and those who miss seeing and hearing it will lose a treat.

## U. S. Employment Service Man To Be Here Wednesday

Sam Lehman, manager of the U. S. Employment Service office in Marshfield, was in Coquille Tuesday, accompanied by Carol Pyle, who is an itinerant consultant from the Employment Service office in Portland.

Beginning next Wednesday, March 7, Mr. Pyle will be in Coquille each Wednesday, and will be in the city hall council chamber between 10 and 11, spending the rest of the time contacting employers in Coquille.

Anything pertaining to employment, returning G.I.'s, veterans or others, is the subject on which Mr. Pyle will consult and be consulted, and employers are requested to get in touch with him; also those seeking employment.

## Don Kramer Has Seen Considerable Pacific Action

Mrs. Laura Kramer and two sons, Donald and James, were week-end visitors at the C. L. Tuttle home. Mrs. Kramer is Mrs. Tuttle's sister. Don, just returned from the southwest, is on a thirty-day leave before starting in on six weeks or more schooling at the West Coast Sound School. His title is So. N.2/3 and he has three stars for three major engagements besides the bars for the Asiatic and American theatres of war.

## Fees Paid in Co. Clerk's Office In February, \$1995.80

At the close of business in County Clerk Oddy's office last evening the total of fees paid in during February was \$1995.80. Of this amount \$474.85 was for recording, \$465 for circuit court, \$37.50 for probate and county court, \$51 for marriage licenses, \$69.65 miscellaneous, and for the new dog license fund \$898.

## Coos & Curry Pioneer Association Names Museum Committees

President A. H. Bender, of Myrtle Point, and 12 other officers and committee chairmen of the Coos-Curry Pioneer Historical Association, met in the city hall here last Saturday afternoon, pursuant to the president's call.

The most important business attended to was the naming of two committees to further and handle the business of securing a museum to house old-time relics and other items of historical interest.

On the building committee the president appointed R. M. Harrison, J. E. Norton, E. L. Perrott, L. W. Oddy, Fred C. True, Dr. J. R. Bunch and Geo. A. Ulett, all of Coquille.

The committee, which is to appear before the county's budget committee and seek a budget item for museum construction, and to seek other funds for that purpose was appointed. It consists of J. Albert Matson, Coos Bay; Chas. Staff, Mayor O. L. Wood and J. P. Beyers, Coquille; Chas. E. Schroeder, Bandon; I. R. Tower, North Bend; Collier Buntington, Gold Beach; J. D. Clinton, Myrtle Point.

The financial report by the secretary, Mrs. Inez Chase, showed a balance of \$436.51 in the treasury; that of the membership of 420, 32 had not paid their 1944 dues and 20 of them have already paid for 1945.

Mrs. Mary Randeman made an interesting report on old photographs, papers and other relics which will be placed in the Museum when it is ready. Others reported as having relics were Mr. Gray, of Coos Bay, a collection of early photographs; Lenn Leneve will contribute old guns; Shiller Hermann has a variety of articles; Chas. Schroeder an ox yoke and harness.

The next meeting of the board of directors will be held on Saturday, April 28.

## Retail Credit Office In Laird Bldg.

At the Coquille Retail Credit Association meeting in the Coffee Shop Monday noon, N. P. McDonald introduced Miss Helen Endicott as the manager of the credit reporting department. He said Miss Helen had taken the course provided by the National Credit Association headquarters and had passed with a mark of 94 per cent, which is about 15 per cent higher than a beginner usually makes.

The Association office is to be moved this week from the Roxy Building to the four rooms at the head of the stairs in the Laird building and the next meeting of the co-operating members will be held in the new location at 7:30 on the evening of Monday, March 12.

The greater part of the noon hour Monday was devoted to hearing a news letter telling of new measures under consideration by the legislature now in session at Salem, which deal with credit.

## Visitors Here From Iowa

Jas. A. Brockman is enjoying a visit from a niece whom he had not seen for 52 years. She is Mrs. Sam'l Foreman who arrived here with Mr. Foreman on Sunday from their home in Marian, Iowa. They are enjoying the beautiful Oregon scenery and also the weather, showery as it has been, for back in their home state they have had blizzards, a great deal of snow and cold weather the past winter. After a visit of indefinite length here they will go to southern California to visit their children who live down there.

## Tommy Hayes Coming To Nazarene Church For Two Weeks

The Nazarene Church has secured the services of Thomas Hayes, renowned evangelist, for a series of special meetings beginning March 13 and continuing for two weeks. Rev. Mr. Hayes is an unique evangelist and a very interesting speaker who will be worth listening to, as announced by V. W. Anglin, local pastor.

Wade Arstall, who several years ago was Junior High principal in the Coquille school system, greeted a few old friends here this week. He is now a traveling salesman for a school book house and resides in Portland.

## Funeral For Mrs. Burgess March 3

Funeral services are to be held Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at the Schroeder chapel here, for Mrs. Emily Gascoin Burgess who died at the home of her daughter in Bandon on Tuesday this week. The officiating minister will be Rev. Mr. Blickenstaff of the Church of the Brethren at Myrtle Point, and interment will be in the Norway cemetery.

Mrs. Burgess was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hooper. She was born June 1, 1857, and was eight months and 26 days' past 87 years of age. Her birthplace was Epworth, Iowa, and she came to Coos county 48 years ago and settled at Arago. Her husband, Walter Morris Burgess, passed away in 1938.

She is survived by the following named children: Mrs. Birdie Schroeder, of Norway; Mrs. Jessie Chalmers, of St. Helens, Ore.; Mrs. Rena Garroute, of Bandon; Mrs. Paul Ford, of Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Flossie Herman, of Bandon; Frank Burgess, of Cave Junction, Ore., and Ben Burgess, of Myrtle Point.

## Mrs. Nora Dondono Buried Saturday

Funeral services were held at Schroeder Bros. Mortuaries at two o'clock last Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Nora Dondono, widow of Frank Dondono, he having passed away here two years ago. She passed away last Thursday at the age of 83 years and three days, having been born at Bedford, Iowa, Feb. 19, 1862.

Rev. Liston Parrish of the Church of Christ officiated at the services and interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

She came to Coquille from Delta, Colo., in 1908, and is survived by five children, 16 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Her sons are John, Frank and Lonnie McNair, all of Coquille; daughters are Mrs. Lon Smith, of Coquille, and Mrs. Walter Sinclair.

## Old-Time Coquille Resident Buried Tuesday At Bandon

Of special interest to the older residents of Coquille, is the news of the death last week of M. F. Sanderlin in San Francisco. His body was shipped back to his old home town of Bandon for burial, Tuesday, O. C. Sanford recalls that Mr. Sanderlin was an active Masonic lodge member as well as an early day preacher in this district. R. H. Mast also recalls having known Mr. Sanderlin.

## February Rainfall Totals More Than Nine Inches

Rainfall for February, as registered by the gauge in the court house yard, totalled 9.02 inches.

The precipitation for the past week was 1.52 inches, the reading being .25 for Friday morning, .03 Saturday morning, none Sunday, .18 Monday, .78 Tuesday, .08 Wednesday and .20 Thursday.

## Georgia Hanson Married Sunday At Bellingham

An interesting event of Sunday, Feb. 25, was the marriage of Georgia Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sherwood, to Coastguardman Guy D. Fields at 2:00 p. m. at the Methodist Church in Bellingham, Wash. The couple left on a wedding trip after the ceremony and will report back to Kenmore, Wash., at the end of the groom's leave. Mr. Fields expects a possible transfer at that time. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood went north for the ceremony.

## Contributing To Minor Delinquency Case Is On

The jury trial being heard in circuit court today is the case of the State of Oregon vs. Floyd Wiser, indicted for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Next Monday the trial of Richard Lee Carter, of Bandon, indicted on a similar charge, will be started.

The February tax turnover, from the Tax Department to County Treasurer Stauff on Monday this week totalled \$28,771.08.

Dick Buckles left Sunday for San Diego, where he expects to be assigned to a Cook's and Baker's School very soon.

The Annual May Day fete, sponsored by the Woman's Club, will be held Saturday evening, April 28, in the Community Building.

## 625 Attend Farm Equipment Showing Here Last Saturday

The large number of Coos county farmers who brought in equipment contributed largely to the success of the Farm and Home Labor Saving Demonstration which was held at the Coquille High School on Saturday, February 24. A crowd of 625 people were in attendance during the day. Miss Leone Ingman, local Domestic Science teacher, handled the lunch which was served to 150 people in the high school cafeteria.

About twenty pieces of equipment were brought in by farmers from Coos and Curry counties. Nine housewives assisted in presenting the Home Economics demonstrations. A large number of requests were made for bulletins and further information and a booth was maintained to handle the situation.

Twice during the day organized tours were conducted both in the Home Economic division and the machinery display. A public sound system was used to reach the crowd as each farmer discussed his own piece of equipment and answered questions regarding it.

Clyde Walker, Extension Agricultural Engineer and Emergency Farm (Continued on page six)

## C. of C. Committee Appointments Made

At the Coquille Chamber of Commerce meeting of committee chairmen, held in the city hall Monday evening, with President Evan Albion presiding, the following partial list of committees who will serve this year was announced:

Finance and Budget—R. L. Stewart, D. E. Rackleff and J. A. Moore. Publicity—Carl E. Morrison, I. A. Elrod and Clarence Oiska.

Agriculture—Geo. B. Jenkins, E. L. Dettelsen and J. L. Smith.

Roads and Highways—Geo. P. Burr, F. W. Bull and E. J. Sage.

Boat House—Ray Buckles, M. F. Pettit and Dick Hollenbeck.

Mineral Resources—R. J. Connarn, J. A. Berg and J. O. Williams.

Civic Affairs—J. A. Berg, Geo. A. Ulett and O. L. Wood.

Fish and Game—Phil Alborn, Wayne Watson and R. J. Connarn.

Transportation—Harry M. Johnson, Alvin Perkins, and Al Smith.

At next Tuesday's, March 6, session of the chamber's board of directors, President Albion intends to present several matters on which the Coquille Chamber of Commerce should be active this year. One of them is the preparing and issuing of a publicity brochure or booklet on which the publicity committee is now working.

## Bobcats To Meet Axemen For Right To Enter State Tourney

The Myrtle Point champion Bobcats of the Coos County High School conference will play in Eugene Friday, March 2, and will entertain the Eugene Axemen at Myrtle Point next Tuesday evening. If a third game is necessary it will be played at North Bend Friday, March 9.

The series is creating much interest in Coos county as Eugene has scored some twenty consecutive wins and Myrtle Point's fast breaking offensive has been netting them around fifty or sixty points against most competition.

## Capt. Hale B. Eubanks To Report At Camp Roberts

Capt. and Mrs. Hale B. Eubanks and daughter, Adrienne, left this morning's bus for Camp Roberts, Calif., where the captain, who is with the 314th General Hospital unit, was ordered to report preliminary to assignment for overseas duty. Mrs. Eubanks and daughter will return to Coquille in about two weeks to remain at the L. H. Hazard home while the captain is gone.

## Rev. G. A. Gray To Be In Pioneer Pulpit Next Sunday

Rev. G. A. Gray will preach at the Pioneer Methodist Church Sunday, March 4, in the absence of Rev. C. G. Brown.

April 23 has been chosen as the date for the annual May Day Dance and Festival sponsored by the Women's Club. Since May 5 is the date of the Coos County Band Festival, this was the nearest convenient date.