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Ladies Day At Chamber Commerce Well Attended

With an attendance of 40, of whom ten were ladies, the Tuesday noon session of the Coquille Chamber of Commerce was one of the most interesting held in a long time.

The meeting was held in the Odd Fellows hall dining room where the ladies of the Rebekah lodge, assisted by J. P. Beyers, served a very appetizing meal.

A number of the ladies present were Chamber of Commerce members and it is the intention of President Evan Albion to have a Ladies Day at regular intervals.

Two of the ladies were from Coos Bay, Mrs. Lucille Archer, secretary of the Coos Bay Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Irene Lundell, a member of that chamber who is administrator of the Coos County Public Welfare unit.

Pres. Albion called upon Dr. J. D. Rankin to speak upon a matter of much importance to this section; it could be made most important if the idea is developed. The subject was that of peas and other vegetables, all of which do well in this valley, to be delivered to a processing plant, which can be located in Coquille if the vegetable acreage warrants.

The manager of the plant interviewed by Dr. Rankin, said they had the equipment necessary to establish a plant here if and when it would have sufficient vegetables to handle and he said dairying would become a secondary farm industry in southern Coos county if the plant is located here and the crops grown to keep it operating. The plant which he now manages employs 1200 people for nine months of the year.

At the conclusion of Dr. Rankin's talk Pres. Albion appointed the doctor as chairman of a committee to work on the proposition, and he was requested to name the other members he would like to have on the committee.

Carl E. Morrison, the chamber's publicity committee chairman, said his committee was working on the copy for a Coquille booklet to be issued this summer but said they had been handicapped by failure to receive sufficient pictures of valley scenes, buildings, etc. They need a picture of the Community Building, and others showing lumbering and logging scenes, dairying, cranberry bogs, recreational spots and myrtlewood pictures, of both shops and growing timber.

Elton Schroeder, of Myrtle Point, president of the Tri-County Chamber of Commerce, and B. W. Dunn, of Coquille, its secretary, both made short talks in regard to the Tri-County. Mr. Schroeder said Crescent City was considerably interested in the organization and it was probable that hereafter the people of that city would not suggest to all tourists that they cross the Coast Range to the Pacific Highway but would give the Coast Highway route an even break. He also said that all members of the Coquille C. of C. are members of the Tri-County and that the next meeting of that chamber would be held later this month.

Mrs. Lundell spoke a few moments on the benefit to individuals and to business concerns that are received by attending Chamber of Commerce meetings and related how much she had benefited from round table discussions at such meetings. A suggestion of hers which was very worth while was that boys and young men, back from the battle areas of the world, be invited to attend and speak at chamber sessions.

Mrs. Archer talked for a short time about the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce Executives Association, and stated that she hoped the Coquille Chamber of Commerce could be represented at these state meetings by one or more of its officers.

Secretary C. G. Caughell informed those present that he has copies of the War Labor Board stabilization rates for this section and that they could be seen, by anyone interested, at his office in the city hall.

Before closing, a most interesting session of the Chamber of Commerce, President Albion invited the ladies to make it a custom to attend the semi-monthly sessions, the first and third Tuesdays of each month, and said they would always be most welcome.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

Rep. Ralph Moore Speaker At Rotary

Giving a brief resume of the work of the Oregon State Legislature during its recent session, Representative Ralph Moore, of Coos Bay but formerly of Bandon, was the guest speaker at the noon session of the Coquille Rotary Club on Wednesday.

Mr. Moore specialized upon the legislation particularly affecting this section of the state and spoke of the gorse bill, the milk bill and the fishing bill. The gorse bill, he stated, was an enabling act under which the state was authorized to put up \$10,000 to be matched in like amount by a combination of the coast counties affected and the plan is to establish an experiment station somewhere south of Bandon, either in the vicinity of the highway scales two miles below Bandon or on the hill between Sixes and Elk river in Curry county. This station is to endeavor to ascertain the best way to eradicate the gorse pest. Mr. Moore also stated that they had also sought to interest the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture in the project and had received some favorable indications that help may be secured in that direction.

Speaking of the milk bill and fishing bill he stated that favorable results were obtained in both.

George Laird and Dutch Clinton passed out the cigars and were congratulated upon becoming grandfathers Wednesday morning when a son was born to Lieut. and Mrs. Jack Laird (the former Gretchen Clinton).

Ed Hughes announced a dance for the Teen Age Club on Friday, the Thirteenth, where the price of admission will be a donation of clothing for the drive being conducted this month. He also stated that each one attending had to wear older clothes than the ones donated, even if someone had to change clothes at the hall.

Rotary guests present were the usual contingent from Myrtle Point: L. H. Pearce, Jess Clinton, Henry Schroeder and John Carl; also C. C. Farr and the speaker, R. T. Moore, from Coos Bay, and J. E. (Dubs) Richmond, of Eugene. Other guests were R. E. Carter, of Portland; Harry Holden, of Eugene, and R. E. Polson, Brick Leslie, B. D. Kallay and Roy Porter, of Coquille.

Gloria Haga To Be May Queen

Gloria Haga, Coquille High School senior, was elected to be Queen of the Annual May Festival to be held this year on April 28, at 8:00 p. m., in the Community Building. Announcement of the choice for queen was made in the Assembly at a program held March 19. The girls in the royal party were escorted to the stage by senior boys.

The princesses are Jeannie Griggs, Donna May Chapin, Luise Livengood, Vera Bishop, Mildred McCarthy, Ariel Crook.

Will Attend Episcopal Diocesan Convention Next Week

The Rev. Robert L. Greene, vicar of St. James' Episcopal Church, will leave Coquille on Sunday to attend the annual Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Church in Western Oregon. The lay delegates to the convention, elected at a recent meeting of the members of the congregation, are: Charles F. Stauff and Raymond C. Brownson. The alternates chosen are: Oscar R. Langlois and Louis H. Hazard. Although wartime regulations discourage large gatherings, legal provisions of the state necessitate an annual conference of clerical and lay representatives of the congregations of the Episcopal Church. This year, the convention will be of the utmost importance, due to a number of revisions of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Oregon. These proposals must be voted upon by the delegates of all the churches in the district.

Jack Cooper Showing Jap Rifle Here Last Saturday

Jack Cooper, who has been employed out at Eugene since last July, came in last-Friday evening to spend a couple of days with Mrs. Cooper at their home here. He brought with him a Jap rifle which his brother, Kenneth, had sent him after getting it on the Pelieu Islands in the Pacific. Kenneth is a Chief Pharmacist Mate in the Navy.

Mrs. Chas. Mansell gave a birthday party for Dickie Hatcher at her home on Easter Sunday.

New Officers And Committees Of The Valley Country Club

Members of the Coquille Valley Country Club met at the Club House at Norway Monday evening for the annual election of officers and for the purpose of formulating plans for the coming golf season.

The meeting was called to order by President Theo. L. "Dutch" Clinton and the following were elected to serve as directors for the coming year: T. Veri Johnson and John Arnold of Myrtle Point; Theo. L. Clinton, Geo. A. Ulett, John Gelder, L. Hollimon, H. S. Norton, Fay Osterhout, Bard Kesner and Wm. Barrow, of Coquille. As is the custom, the directors then met and elected the following officers: President, L. Hollimon; Vice President, T. Veri Johnson; and Secretary-Treasurer, H. S. Norton.

President Hollimon, upon being installed, appointed the following committees: Tournament and Handicap—R. C. Bowers, chairman; Fay Osterhout, Elmer Briner.

Fairways, Greens, Rules and House Committee—Dutch Clinton, chairman; Bard Kesner, John Gelder.

Entertainment—Elton Schroeder, chairman; Mrs. Roland Bowers, Ralph Whitaker, Perry Roper, Lloyd Claver, John Purkey, R. Hollimon, Mrs. Geo. H. Chaney.

Membership—T. Veri Johnson, chairman; John Arnold, John Lauderback, E. E. Leslie, Oscar Henrichs, L. A. Lundquist.

Elmer "Butch" Briner was declared winner of the winter Ringer Tournament and he responded by putting up six golf balls to be used as prizes for a Spring Handicap Tournament to which President Lou Hollimon added another half dozen balls and it was announced that an Eighteen Hole Handicap Tournament would be held on Sunday, April 15, with the longest golf balls as prizes.

Considerable enthusiasm was shown and, with the new Manager-Owner W. B. McLarrin assuring the members that everything possible would be done to promote harmony in the club, it looks like a good year ahead for the club and, with an inter-club tournament slated with Coos County Club for early May added to the above Spring Handicap Tournament, the local golfers are off to a flying start.

Mornings Have Been Chilly This Week

Nearly every morning this week the thermometer has registered around freezing, from 30 to 33 degrees and the maximum each day has not been higher than 58.

On only three days the past week has the gauge in the court house yard shown any precipitation. There was 22 of an inch recorded April 1; 02 April 3, and 34 this morning for a total of .58 of an inch. This makes a total of 48.5 inches for the weather fiscal year, since the first of last September.

V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary To Install Officers Apr. 10

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 965, elected their new officers at the March 14 meeting. They are: President, Verville Hurrell; Sr. Vice Pres., Virginia Rice; Jr. Vice Pres., Edna M. Irvin; Treasurer, Evelyn Benham; Chaplain, Mary McGilvery; Conductress, Marian Bingham; Guard, Mary Keeney; Trustee, one-yr., Opal Gilman; 2-yr., Priscilla Hickam; 3-yr. Julia Bracelin; Patriotic Instructor, Norma McNair; Musician, May Ensele. They will be installed at the April 10 meeting. Lois McClellan was appointed Secretary.

Proceeds Of This Dance To Go To Red Cross

Good music and an enjoyable evening are assured those who attend the dance in Masonic Hall Friday evening, April 6, when Job's Daughters and the Red Cross are co-operating in giving a dance. All the proceeds from the dance will be turned over to the local Red Cross.

The Public is cordially invited to a Card Party Saturday night, April 7th, given by Royal Neighbors, Place, W.O.W. Hall. Time, 8:00 o'clock. Pinochle, Bingo, Lunch, all for 50c.

Short Session Of City Council Held Monday Evening

With Mayor Wood and all six councilmen present, the city council held a short session Monday evening, adjourning inside of an hour.

Two city-owned pieces of property were ordered conveyed to private ownership. One of them, Lots 7 and 8 in Block 7, North Addition, was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Goddard for \$1503.04. The other, Lots 2 and 3, Block 3, Supplemental Plat to Academy Addition, was sold to I. W. Newton for \$50.

An agreement with Jos. A. Hannon was ordered signed by the Mayor. Under its terms, Mr. Hannon is given permission to tear down and remove the old Setapell, the building the American Legion has been using, north of the Community Building.

The bid of the Northern School Supply Co., \$281.90, for a floor buffing machine to be used in the Community Building was accepted, and it was ordered shipped.

Upon payment of the \$1.00 license fee required, a restaurant license for the Quelle Cafe was ordered issued to Charles and Alice Allman, who recently came here from Camas Valley and re-opened the Quelle.

Upon complaint of Mrs. J. D. Rankin that the sewer pipe connecting their house on Coulter street with the main sewer, was broken, the city's crew was instructed to replace the broken line with cast iron pipe, from the main line to the property line.

A letter from the Oregon State Board of Aeronautics was read by Recorder Leslie. It requested the city's co-operation, after military restrictions are removed, in putting a marker on some large roof in the city which would have the name, "Coquille" prominently appearing, with the city's latitude and longitude and in readable sized lettering from the air, and direction indications. The recorder was instructed to notify the board that the city would cooperate.

Old Clothes To Be The Admission To This Dance

An accurate set of scales will be an important center of attention at the dance to be given by the Teen-Age Club Friday, April 13, in the Community Building, since a cash prize will be awarded the boy and the girl donating the most pounds of clothes for their admission. It has also been stipulated that the Teen-Agers must wear clothes older than those donated, or take the consequences. There will also be a prize for the boy and the girl wearing the oldest clothes. This dance will be open to the public, admission in all cases being a donation of old clothes for the Allied Clothes Drive.

Special feature of the evening will be a program presenting some of the young people in both vocal and instrumental numbers. Ed Hughes, organizer of the Teen-Age Club, has expressed his appreciation for the assistance proffered by the Inter-City Clothes Drive in support of the dance.

Washington School Students Make Bond, Stamp Sale Record

Students of Washington school are justifiably proud of their Stamp and Bond Sales record for the year. During the period from September 21 to April 1, the actual cash brought by students totaled \$3,988.40. The total number of bond applications made out was 84. In one day, on Thursday, March 29, a total of \$232 was taken in. They hope to reach the goal of \$5,000 which they have set for the year but actually plan to top it.

April Meeting of Coquille Woman's Club Next Tuesday

Mrs. R. E. Boober, president, announces the Coquille Woman's Club will meet next Tuesday, April 10, in the Guild Hall at 2:00 p. m. Dan Poling, Jr., will speak to the group on Dumbarton Oaks and the San Francisco Conference. There will also be music. A good attendance is urged.

F.S.A. Office Not To Be Open On Saturday Hereafter

Until further notice the office of the Farm Security Administration, on the second floor of the bank building, will not be open on Saturday.

Martin E. Nye Buried Yesterday

Funeral services for Martin E. Nye, who died at Keizer Hospital in North Bend Easter Sunday morning, April 1, were held at 2:00 p. m., from the Gano Funeral Home on Wednesday this week. Rev. Robert L. Greene of the Episcopal Church officiated. The American Legion Post conducted military graveside services and pallbearers were veterans of World War I. Interment was in the I.O.O.F. cemetery in Coquille.

Mr. Nye was a resident of Coquille for the past ten years, having formerly lived in San Francisco and Grants Pass. He was the son of James Martin Nye and his wife, Martha, was born at Pittsburgh, Pa., June 19, 1892. He had been employed by the State Highway Department as mechanic for the past five years.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Jean Wilginson, of Seattle, Wn., who arrived Tuesday, and Mrs. Shirley Schaefer, of Coquille; by a sister, Mrs. Fred L. Houston, also of Coquille, and by a niece, Mrs. Margaret Toth, of San Francisco.

He leaves also to mourn his memory a host of friends everywhere he has ever lived and particularly in the Coquille valley, which he loved and where he built his home. He was preceded in death by his wife, Bertha, two years ago, and was laid to rest beside her.

John Weber Buried Here Last Saturday

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 2:00 p. m., at the Gano Funeral Home, for John Weber who passed away at his home on East 11th street of a heart attack at five o'clock last Wednesday afternoon.

Born in Wisconsin July 13, 1867, he was 77 years, eight months and 15 days of age at passing. He had lived in Denmark from 1936 until two years ago when he and Mrs. Weber moved to Coquille. His widow, Bertha Weber, survives, as do also several brothers and sisters but their addresses are unknown.

Rev. Chas. G. Brown officiated at the services and interment was in the I.O.O.F. cemetery of Coquille.

Salvaged Paper and Tin Shipped East This Week

Geo. F. Burr, local salvage chairman, reports that part of a car of tin cans was shipped from Coquille and Myrtle Point on Monday of this week and that a carload of collected paper was being assembled on Tuesday and Wednesday for shipment east.

He also stated that the Coquille Fire Department has agreed to take over management of the tin can collection in Coquille and in order to make it easier for those who have just a few cans at a time, metal drums will this week-end be set up at several points around the business section into which the flattened cans may be dropped.

Mrs. Florence Barton Now President Of B. P. W. Clubs

Florence Barton was elected president of the Business and Professional Women's Club last Monday night when the club met in the Guild Hall for their first meeting in April. Other officers elected were: first vice president, Hattie Lee Hollimon; second vice pres., Mabel Johnson; sec., Inez Rover; treas., Idyl Godard. Following routine business Florence Barton and Eva Stevens gave reports as delegates to the Portland Conference.

The next meeting will be held Monday, April 9, an irregular date, owing to a change necessitated by the need for the hall for Church purposes.

Frank Norris Seriously Injured In Germany

Word was received Saturday by Frank Norris that his son, Pvt. Frank Norris, was seriously wounded in Germany where he has been stationed with the 180th Infantry. He has been overseas for only a month. His father was overseas for 14 months during the last war, without receiving a single wound.

Dr. T. De La Rhue To Be Gone Two Months

Dr. T. De La Rhue left last Saturday morning for Minneapolis, Minn., where he is taking a two months post-graduate course in eye treatment and care. He does not expect to return until June 1.

150 Million Pounds Should Be Secured During The Drive

The United Clothing Drive is now well under way. It will continue through the entire month of April and it aims to secure 150 million pounds of good usable clothing, shoes and bedding from homes in the U. S., for the needy war-ravaged victims of World War II.

Sentinel readers do not have to be told about the tragedy of Europe and the Far East, nor of the desperate needs of millions of innocent people. But can you imagine 125 million persons shivering in pitifully inadequate, tattered garments, and 30 million more in such rags as to be "statistically naked"? Can you picture little children, either in bed while their sole garments are washed and dried, or putting them on wet? Can you possibly imagine a family of seven, all wearing in turn one usable shirt?

Think of paying \$220 for a pair of shoes. Fancy the notice of a death in a family bringing mobs of shivering folks, begging for a chance to buy the clothing of the deceased!

The very lives of multitudes depend upon the prompt filling of their clothing needs. The health of vast numbers has already been seriously affected.

But life and health are not all that is involved. War victims need clothing to regain their self respect, to begin the urgent tasks of rebuilding their broken homes and demolished towns. This needed clothing is available. Hundreds of millions of pounds of it now repose, forgotten, in the attics and other storage places in American homes. The age and style does not concern those who are in dire need of any type of garments to clothe and comfort their war-emasculated bodies. Any thing, every thing usable, in men's, women's, boys' girls' and infant wear and also bedding will come as

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School Officers To Meet Next Week

Meetings of tremendous importance to school directors and clerks are being held in the county next week. Lester Wilcox, assistant superintendent of Public Instruction, and Al Montgomery, who did the auditing for the clerks last year, will be two of the speakers. Sessions will begin at 10:00 a. m., and will adjourn at noon for a pot-luck for which coffee and cream are provided. The program will continue after lunch until 3:00 p. m. Discussion of new laws pertaining to education, proposed legislation and other school problems will be the order of the day. Help will be given to those making budgets and to clerks making annual reports. Mr. Montgomery will answer questions as to individual audits.

Although the meetings in previous years were planned largely for school clerks, these meetings will be a great deal of help to the directors also. It is expected that a very large percentage of clerks and directors throughout the county will take advantage of this opportunity to become informed on the important problems of schools in the present day.

The Bandon Grammar School will be the meeting place for that area on April 10. It will be in Myrtle Point Junior High on April 11, and at the City Hall in Coos Bay, April 12.

Eight Pound Boy Born To The Jack Lairds

An eight-pound boy was born to Lieut. and Mrs. Jack Laird at the Mast Hospital in Myrtle Point Wednesday, April 4. Mrs. Laird recently returned here from Florida, where her husband was stationed before being sent to an overseas station. Mrs. Laird is the former Gretchen Clinton. This is the first grandchild for Grandpa and Grandma Theo. L. Clinton but it is not the first for Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Laird.

Dog License Fees Have Been Increased \$1.00

The 1777 dog licenses already issued in County Clerk Oddy's office have been at the \$2.00 per rate but this week the rate has been increased 50 per cent for those who have neglected to secure licenses and the fee is now \$3.00.