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25.00 THE YEAR

H. S. Band Concert In The Gymnasium Wednesday, May 2

Mr. Wayne Smith, director of the High School Band, announces that the band will be presented in concert as a feature of music week. The concert will be held in the gymnasium of the High School on Wednesday evening, May 2, at 8:00 o'clock.

Tickets for this event will be placed on sale this week-end, priced as follows: Adults, 50c, tax, 10c, total, 60c; High School students, 35c, tax, 5c, total 40c; and children, 20c, tax, 5c, total 25c. Proceeds from this event will go into the music fund to help buy new music, etc.

The members of the band, under Mr. Smith's careful instruction, have been working hard all winter preparing a wide variety of numbers, which they will play. They will be assisted by the High School Girls' Glee Club. The program follows:

Presentation of Colors
Flag Salute
Star Spangled Banner
U. S. Field Artillery
Sousa
Anchors Aweigh
Zimmerman
Marines' March
Chenette
The Army Air Corps
Crawford
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Coquille High School Open House

All those who have said: "I really must go out to visit the high school some of these days," now have that opportunity opened up for them. Everyone is invited to attend the Annual Open House held by Coquille High School to be held on the evening of May 2. Doors will open at seven o'clock. There will probably be exhibits of regular class work in nearly every room. Teachers will be on hand in their own rooms to meet parents and visitors. High School girls will act as guides during the evening.

At eight o'clock the rooms will be darkened so that all may attend the Band Concert to be held in the gymnasium the same evening and will be re-opened at the close of the program so that those who could not attend earlier may also visit the high school.

This Open House is free to the friends and patrons of the school, but there will be charge for the Band Concert.

Everyone is urged to attend for this is a good opportunity to get acquainted with your school and its teaching force. It will also be an opportunity to learn something of the need for the proposed improvements to the high school building.

The Lloyd Lairds Here For Nearly A Week

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Laird arrived here last Saturday evening from their home near Petaluma, Calif., to attend the funeral services for his mother, Mrs. Mable Laird, Monday afternoon. They expected to remain until this coming Saturday, unless the rain caused them to leave earlier.

Lloyd, or "Cap" as he is known to his hundreds of friends all over southwestern Oregon, says the chicken and egg business around that chicken capital of the Pacific coast, has been very profitable the past few years.

Mrs. Laird is the former Iva Bates, who was chief operator in the telephone office here for a number of years.

Coquille Youthful Burglars Caught In The Act

Chief of Police Bob Creager reports that on the night of April 14, Officer Otho Miller surprised two 15-year old boys in the act of burglarizing the City Cleaners. One of the boys was on probation after previous offenses, and was dealt with accordingly. The other, a first offender, was brought before the Court, where he was admonished and a job was obtained for him in line with the policy of helping youth become better citizens.

On April seventeenth, a window was cut out of the O. K. Rubber Welders shop and some one reached in and stole a mahogany radio. Five boys have been questioned and Chief Creager feels sure the case will be settled soon. Since no serial numbers or other marks of identification were known, it has delayed authorities in convicting the culprit.

Sent By Selective Board In April

During April the following group was ordered to report to Fort Lewis, Washington, for induction into the Armed Forces by Coos County Local Board, No. 2, Coquille:

Roy D. Davidson, Robert P. Yarbrough, Lowell V. Miller, James L. Twitchell, Gus F. Richert, all of Coquille; Earl L. Edgmon, Klamath Falls; Paul L. Colgrove, Lloyd G. Hunt, Graydon R. Thom, Charles F. Coyne, Raymond A. Lower, all of Bandon; Ralph O. Panse, Leeburg, Ore.; Donald Cupineki, Thomas R. Hazen, Arlie L. Amos, Jack Jones, David G. Rylander, all of Myrtle Point; Raymond Paxton, Vida, Ore.; Leonard R. Lawhorn, McKinley; Robert L. Schrader, Arago; Wilson H. Sparkman, Tolleson, Arizona; Orville E. Andrews, Portland; Norris C. Kemp, Brookings, Ore.; Bert L. Ferry, San Francisco.

On April 24, the following group was forwarded to Portland for their pre-induction physical examination:

Rural L. Griffin, Charles H. Fellows, Edward R. Moore, Charles R. Gaslin, Gordon C. Ashenfelter, Raymond H. Getchell, all of Coquille; Harold M. Smith, Dellwood; Peter B. Serafin, Seattle; John W. Goodwin, William T. Dufort, Jack W. Hultin, all of Bandon; Arlyn D. Elliott, Benjamin C. Dement, James D. Barklow, all of Myrtle Point; Lewis E. Donaldson, Reuben Harrison Mast, both of Eugene; Elvin R. Fitch, Riverton; Harold E. Scott, Tacoma, Wn.; Hobart M. Chapman, Hutchinson, Kans.; Sanford F. Allen, Tillamook, Ore.; Edgar H. Brattain, Salem; Norman E. Stepp, Lebanon; Willard T. LaMar, Powers.

Cliff Gulseth Again Mgr. S.W. Motors

When Cliff Gulseth resigned as manager of Southwestern Motors here to enter Uncle Sam's service in the Marine Corps, and I. A. Elrod was appointed manager to succeed him, it was with the understanding and agreement by all parties concerned, which included Paul McElwain, Southwestern Motors owner, that when Cliff was released from the service, Mr. Elrod would resign as manager and Mr. Gulseth would again be in charge of Southwestern's affairs here.

These agreements have all been kept and Mr. Elrod is taking a few weeks' vacation before getting back into business elsewhere. He has no statement yet to make where it will be.

Mr. and Mrs. Gulseth have rented and are occupying the W. H. Fortier house on South Heath street.

Clifford M. Teaney Succumbed Last Saturday To Heart Attack

Funeral services were held at the Schroeder Bros. chapel here at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon for Clifford M. Teaney, who died suddenly of a heart attack in W. H. Fortier's billiard parlor last Saturday. Rev. M. D. Rempel officiated at the services and interment was in Sunset cemetery at Coos Bay.

Mr. Teaney was 45 years, 11 months and 25 days of age, having been born in Illinois, April 26, 1896, and he had resided here for the past five years.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Frances Teaney, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Alma Teaney, of Coos Bay; two sisters, Mrs. Vesta Siegest, of Coos Bay, and Mrs. Golda Larson, of North Bend; also two brothers, L. Teaney, of Sumner, Wash., and Eldon Teaney, of Kent, Wash.

Applications For Canning Sugar May Be Made May 15

Applications for sugar for home canning may be accepted by the local O.P.A. office, beginning May 15, according to the communication received this week from the Portland office. People are warned not to purchase fruit and expect canning sugar to be issued at once, since applications must be made at least ten days in advance to give the panel time to act upon the application and to mail the coupons.

Still Fourteen Inches Shy Of Our Average Rain

Total rainfall since Sept. 1, as measured in the gauge on the court house lawn, is now 50.80 inches. Only four days the past week was there any water to be measured: .03 of an inch on the 21st; .40 on the 24th; .30 Wednesday morning and .02 this morning.

May Day Fete Promises To Be Most Successful

The May Festival and Dance is to be held this coming Saturday evening in the Community Building and the festivities will start at 8:30 p. m. Mrs. Wilda Schroeder is general chairman and her committees have been at work for some time in an endless effort to make this annual affair just as good or better than ever before.

Queen Gloria Haga will be crowned by Mayor O. L. Wood and will be attended by her princesses—Jeannie Griggs, Donna May Chapin, Luise Livingston, Vera Bishop, Mildred McCarthy and Arlet Crook.

In the Queen's retinue there will be a larger following of small attendants and a greater representation from the grade school children than heretofore. From all indications nothing is being left undone to make this year's May Day Fete a grand affair.

Reserved seats will be on sale Friday afternoon and Saturday at the Rackleff Pharmacy. Tickets will be sold at the door on Saturday night. The affair is sponsored by the Coquille Woman's Club.

Night Clerk Takes \$500 Hotel Funds

State police and officers all over the state are looking for Jim Mitchell, night clerk at the Coquille Hotel since the middle of March, who left in a hurry at an early hour Wednesday morning, taking more than \$500 of the hotel's funds. He was last seen here about 3:30 that morning.

The thief relieved Manager Oleville Cox at 7:00 p. m. Tuesday evening and that was the last Mr. Cox saw of him.

It is reported that Mitchell, a discharged veteran of this war, attempted to commit suicide over at the Bay in February. He was taken into custody by the police here at that time but was soon released, no charges being filed against him.

Capt. Hale B. Eubanks Now Somewhere In Pacific

Mrs. Hale B. Eubanks, who with Mr. Eubanks had been visiting her brother, Austin Hazard, and family in Pasadena, Calif., returned home last week. Capt. Eubanks, who is an Army Captain, has shipped out for duty with the forces in the Pacific.

In a note from Austin, he says that his son, Dick, who is in the Navy, is on a P.E.C., stationed in the Aleutians. The young man is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hazard of this city.

Myrtle Point School Supt. To Be At Ashland Next Year

Leland P. Linn will terminate twenty years' service as superintendent of schools in Myrtle Point, when he leaves some time in June to take over the superintendency of the Ashland, Oregon, schools on July 1. Mr. Linn is to be congratulated on this splendid advancement of which he is so deserving but Coos county will lose a fine, public-spirited man, who has the welfare of our youth always at heart.

Husband Of Former Coquille Valley Girl Killed Wednesday

Mrs. Elbert Schroeder received a message Wednesday morning stating that the husband of her cousin, Mrs. Ray Watson, (the former Elda Barker), had been killed that morning at his mill at Beaver, Oregon. He was about 38 years of age and besides his widow, he leaves two children, one three years old and the other one year.

Details of the accident or when the funeral services will be held were not available at this writing.

Wage and Hour Expert To Be In Coquille April 26-28

The Coquille Chamber of Commerce has received word that Lew Bideler, representative of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions of the United States Department of Labor, will be at the Coquille Hotel from Thursday afternoon, April 26, through to some time Saturday afternoon, April 28.

Anyone wishing to contact Mr. Bideler may do so at the hotel or you can leave your name with the Chamber of Commerce secretary, phone 66.

Sportsmen's Opportunity

Too infrequently we, who stay at home, have an opportunity to do something really tangible and worthwhile for those boys who have returned to us from overseas service. Pages have been written regarding them, the G. I. Bill of Rights, rehabilitation and a host of other good and commendable plans and projects. They are all good and will, in time, be a real benefit to the returned serviceman, but right now there may be other things that can be done for these boys, who in many cases, have given all but their lives for us.

At Klamath Falls, the government has established a marine hospital. At present there are more than 5,000 veterans returning there from the South Pacific area. Many of them are not incapacitated to the extent that they cannot get around. A large percentage of them, like most American boys, like to fish. They are in a position where, by traveling a very short distance from Klamath Falls, in any direction, they will find excellent fishing. Only one thing keeps them from enjoying this splendid recreation. Fly rods and reels cannot be purchased at any price. They are simply not available.

The Oregon Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America has undertaken to find for these disabled veterans a generous supply of fishing outfits. They are to be highly commended for such an undertaking and they are asking the assistance of Oregon's sportsmen.

Take a look through your fishing gear for an extra flyrod, bait casting rod or reel. Parts of rods or equipment in need of repairs are acceptable. The boys will repair them themselves. Leave your equipment with Lloyd Claver at the Roxy Theatre or Evan Alborn at Coquille Electric Co., 365 W. Front, or phone 17 and a Boy Scout will call for it.

"Dutch" Took Golf Tourney Prizes

The Handicap Golf Tournament held at the Coquille Valley Country Club Sunday, resulted in a victory for "Old Faithful" Theodore "Dutch" Clinton, who took prizes for low medal and also low score with handicap, with 82-10-72 net. Spike Leslie was second with 83-8-75 net. Other special prize winners were Joe Sayre, John Lauterbach, Russell Holman, George Johnson, Andy Richardson and Bob Harbison. The prizes were Grade A Golf balls donated by Lou Holman and "Butch" Briner and dinners donated by Manager Pat McLarrin, for the two best scores.

Another tournament is being planned for Sunday, May 5.

Christian Church Men To Sponsor Father & Son Banquet

The Ninety and Nine men's Bible class of the Christian Church is sponsoring a Father and Son banquet Friday evening, April 27, at 7:00 p. m. The dinner will be potluck and is in charge of Wm. Arnold and S. S. Hardenbrook. Mrs. Martha Mulkey, county school superintendent, will be the speaker of the evening. Every father is invited to bring his son or an adopted son for the evening to the banquet, which will help to cement the friendship between Christian men and boys.

T. Sgt. Ralph Willson Returns To The Hospital

T. Sgt. Ralph Willson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Willson of this city, who had been here on a 30-day furlough which he spent with his wife and baby and his parents here, returned last Friday to Barnes General Hospital in Vancouver. He was injured in France last September and is still in a crippled condition.

Mrs. Willson and their baby left with him, they going to McMinnville to be nearer him while he is in the hospital.

Snakes Go To School

Live snakes and frogs, growing beans and peas, a wild cat's brain and a rabbit's appendix pickled in alcohol, the mounted skull and bones forming the paw of a wild cat are some of the things to be found in the biology room when you visit it at the annual Open House on Wednesday evening, May 2, at the Coquille High School.

Mrs. Edith Mattoon underwent major surgery at Belle Knife hospital Monday.

Coos-Curry Pioneer Historical Assn. Meets Here Saturday

The business meeting of the Coos-Curry Pioneer Historical Association to be held in the city hall of Coquille on Saturday, April 28, beginning at one o'clock, promises to be a most interesting session.

Important special committees composed of professional and business men of Coos and Curry counties are to report their decisions on this occasion pertaining to a public museum jointly for the two counties.

As an added attraction of importance, Superintendent Lancaster Pollard of the Oregon Historical Society, Portland, is planning to be present to answer questions and to give any needed information pertaining to keeping "Oregon's Past" alive.

The Oregon Historical Society is a non-profit organization founded in 1896 to collect, preserve, exhibit and publish material relating to the history of Oregon.

Another interesting feature will be the exhibition of ten beautifully compiled booklets stenciled and assembled by the Coquille High School typing class under the able instructions, of their leader, Mrs. Idyle Godard.

Each of these booklets comprise the eight Early Day stories composed and submitted by adults in the story contest conducted last Fall by Emil Peterson, of North Bend, who has also, been doing much over radio and in writing to perpetuate experiences of early days.

All members and friends of the Association who are interested are welcome to attend this business meeting.

—Inez R. Chase, Secretary-Treas.

School Supt. Mulkey Talks At Rotary

County School Superintendent Martha E. Mulkey gave an interesting talk on "School Legislation" at the luncheon meeting of the Coquille Rotary Club of the hotel on Wednesday. As an introductory item, Mrs. Mulkey stated that there were eighty-two bills introduced at the recent session of the Oregon Legislature directly or indirectly affecting the schools of the state. She relieved the tension, however, by saying that she was not going to talk on all of them but only on those affecting the local schools. She then gave a very studied resume of the various bills and how they would benefit our schools.

Calling attention to the proposed cigarette tax for school benefits, she stated that a curious feature of the situation was that state law made mandatory the teaching of the children the deleterious effects of the use of tobacco. Mrs. Mulkey's talk was very informative and was given close attention by those present.

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Girls' League Tea Honored Mothers At H. S. Tuesday

A Mothers' Day Tea was held in the Coquille High gymnasium at 3:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon under the direction of Miss Madeline McKeown and the High School Girls' League.

Miss Leone Ingman arranged a very attractive and interesting style show with a group of dress displays, modeled and designed by the girls of the high school, for the pleasure of the mothers.

Due to the crowded condition of the Sentinel this week and the lateness of a report on the occasion, the lengthy article submitted was necessarily postponed until next week's issue.

Sen. Walsh Representing China At San Francisco Conference

Coos county's senator, Wm. E. Walsh of Coos Bay, is, so far as learned, the only Coos county man attending the conference which began in San Francisco on Wednesday this week. Sen. Walsh goes to represent China at the conference, being the representative of Chiang Kai-shek's Chinese government.

Last Call!

Give your unused garments to the United National Clothing Collection. Do not fail to get your contribution to the Community Building this week. Have you an extra blanket or shawl you can tuck in?

Take your bundle yourself if you can. If not, call J. S. Barton's office, 21J.—Coquille.

Mrs. Mable Laird Buried Here Monday Afternoon

Funeral services were held here, at the Gano Funeral Home, at two o'clock Monday, for a formerly well-known and most highly esteemed lady who has resided near Petaluma, California, for the past eight years. She was Mrs. Mable Laird, who with her son, Lloyd, and his wife, have been operating a chicken ranch in the Petaluma section since they left Coquille.

Mrs. Laird had been suffering, more or less for the past few years with heart trouble, and the end came at 3:05 last Friday morning.

Rev. Robert L. Greene, vicar of St. James' Episcopal church here, of which she was a member, read the scripture at the services and offered prayer, after which members of Beulah Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of which Mrs. Laird was also a member, conducted the Eastern Star service.

Interment was in the Masonic cemetery beside the remains of her husband, James W. Laird, who passed away June 14, 1933. Pall-bearers were old friends of the deceased whom she had asked her son, Lloyd, to have act at the services when she was quite ill last year.

Born in Santa Cruz, Calif., May 15, 1872, she was but a few days short of being 73 years of age at passing. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Marion Baxter, who came to Coos county in 1878 and remained here until their deaths.

She was married to Mr. Laird in June, 1896, and prior to his death and for four years following they resided in the house they built at the corner of Third and Heath streets, where Mr. and Mrs. David E. Rackleff now live.

Besides her son, Lloyd, she is survived by her brother, Hal Baxter, who lives on the lower river, and by her niece, Mrs. John (Freda) Hawkins, of Coos Bay, her only near relatives.

Mrs. Laird was a very dear friend of the editor's family and it is with a poignant sense of personal loss that the word of her passing was received here by them as well as by her hundreds of other friends in Coos county and elsewhere.

Tragic Death Of Port Orford School Girl

The death of one who is in her teens is always more tragic than for one who has lived out his or her span of years.

The above thought is in regard to the winsome, beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marsh of Port Orford—Donna Lou Marsh—who died while being brought here to the Belle Knife Hospital last Friday night, following an automobile accident near Port Orford.

Donna Lou, a student in Port Orford High School, was just learning to drive, and after having let the mother of one of her riders out of the car and while rounding a curve, the auto got out of control and crashed into a ditch. Donna Lou was badly crushed but the two young people with her, Lonale Push and Robert McClintock, were uninjured.

Funeral services, under the auspices of Schroeder Bros., were held in the Port Orford gymnasium Wednesday afternoon. Interment was in the cemetery there.

Mrs. Ida K. Owen of this city is an aunt of Donna Lou's and besides her parents she leaves a sister, Barbara Marsh, of Los Angeles, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Timmons of Coquille. She was born at Port Orford, Sept. 8, 1929, and was seven months and 14 days past 15 years of age.

Body Of Mrs. Jerry C. Barber Taken To Portland Crematorium

Mrs. Mabel M. Barber, wife of Jerry C. Barber, who had lived in Coquille a part of the time for the past 21 years, passed away at her home last Friday at the age of 56 years and 11 months.

Elbert Schroeder took the body to Portland, where funeral services were held at 11:00 a. m. Tuesday, and it was taken then to the Portland Crematorium.

She was born Mabel M. Dyer, in Portage, Wis., May 20, 1888, and besides her husband leaves an aunt, Mrs. Jane Hanson, in Hamilton, Mont.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.