

People Are Nice

Wednesday of last week one received the impression the weather-maker was having some fun of his own. The sun was unveiled to coax the school children out to enjoy their new freedom in the beautiful spring day. Once they were well out in the open, the sun quickly withdrew while the youngsters were pelted with crystal raindrops. Quite a sense of humor, that.

Now that books have been laid aside for three months—oh, I know each youngster plans to study during vacation, but I still say they're laid aside for three months—the children can concentrate on a few of the vitally important lessons to be learned away from their books. The art of developing a proper sense of humor is one of the more important items. Yes, a sense of humor is a splendid thing to have, and I wonder if you have been cultivating yours of late. It is delightful to discover that no situation ever looks quite the same after you have had one hearty laugh over your predicament. Of course, I know as well as you that there are times when it is no laughing matter.

One evening a very attractive lady and I were sitting in the theatre when it became necessary to rise to allow three young men in blue uniforms and round white hats to reach their seats. I was reluctant to miss the scenes being shown at that moment, but stood with stiff dignity to allow them to pass. One young man was directly in front of me and one on each side; when suddenly the seat slipped down and pushed my legs from under me. The next instant my dignity was left in the air while I was popped down on the seat with four pairs of legs entangled. I was mortified past endurance, but everyone concerned kept an admirably sober face. Some time had elapsed and all was calm when the ludicrousness of the situation struck me so forcefully I snickered. As though I had given a signal, the three young men fairly hee-hawed. Surely they

must have been relieved after that, and I am sure I felt better. There is nothing quite like being able to laugh, even when the joke is on you.

Recently I saw a group of young men in similar suits in the bus terminal in Portland. Instead of standing with long faces and teary eyes, their sense of humor came to their rescue and they were playing a game. Each time a young lovely walked near the group, one of them would give the low, mournful cry of a wolf. They were perfectly well-behaved and quiet about it, and in all the time I observed them, no young lady "caught on," but how the boys enjoyed the game.

Pine thing, a sense of humor. Their little trick entertained me until bus time, just as it did them. I fail to see how anyone could have been benefited, had they indulged in the "glooms."

The little, insignificant things of life make it worth while along the way. If I were presumptuous enough to offer a word of advice to our young graduates, it would be that they plan seriously for their future, but live fully and joyously each day as it comes. Take time to relish the unimportant details of common, everyday living.

Happiness to you, kids, and you will have it, too, if you earn it. As ever, Pat.

Reception For Retiring School-Teacher Sisters

At North Bend Friday evening, June 5, Miss Ida Gamble and Mrs. Mathilda K. Sleep will be the guests of honor at a reception. The program was initiated by the North Bend Woman's Club but has grown to be a community-wide affair.

There are very many Coos county men and women as well as the current school children who in their early grade years "went to school" to one or both of these sisters, who have taught in the North Bend school system not quite continuously but altogether 28 or more years.

Now, on the announcement of their retirement from their profession, plans are being made for a program presented by their "children," with Lyle Chappell of the North Bend post office force as master of ceremonies. As a keepsake, the sisters will be presented with a guest book in which all those attending will be asked to register. All their former students are cordially invited to be there. It will be held in the I.O.O.F. hall.

Mrs. Stanley Ayers Writes From Burbank, Calif.

Writing to renew her subscription to the Sentinel, Mrs. Stanley Ayers, formerly of Coquille, says that Stanley is now a Radarman 3/c and has been at sea on duty with a Navy transport since last September. His trips have taken him to New Guinea, Admiralties, Australia, India and the Philippines. He has found globe-trotting an interesting experience. She adds:

"I am looking forward to visiting Coquille in the early fall during my vacation. I am enjoying my work as secretary to the chief industrial engineer at this aircraft plant which manufactures landing gear for all types of planes."

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs will be at the city hall, Coquille, Tuesday, June 5, 1948, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m.

George E. Oerding Completes Three Real Estate Deals

The home owned by Mrs. Adelle Braly, located on 865 E. 4th street, was sold by George E. Oerding, a Coquille realtor, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Shilling. Mrs. Braly left Tuesday by stage for Vancouver, Washington, where she will take up her former occupation with the Westcott Studio there. Mr. Shilling is the manager of the Dillard Market and he and his wife will move into their newly purchased home in the near future. Mr. Shilling is a World War II veteran.

The home and one and one-half acre of ground, located about three-quarters of a mile from the city center of Coquille on 101 highway toward Coos Bay and owned by Mr. and Mrs. Homer White, was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Paulsen, who are moving in at once. The Whites moved several months ago to a farm they purchased above Myrtle Point.

The third deal completed by Mr. Oerding was the sale of the property located on upper Eleventh street, which was owned by C. A. White and sold to Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Homenyk.

Belle Knife Hospital

Wm. Morris, of Coquille, underwent an appendectomy last Wednesday evening, and Mrs. Vera Long, of Sitkum, entered Thursday for treatment.

Mrs. Oma Hemstreet of this city underwent a major operation May 25; Donald Avery and Judy Wilson submitted to tonsilectomies on Saturday, and Mrs. Betty King, of Powers, underwent a major operation the same day.

Genevieve, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pearl, was operated upon for appendicitis last Saturday.

On Monday this week Mrs. Clarice Gormley, of Coquille, underwent an appendectomy, and Jacob W. Lowens, of Kingsburg, Calif., a major operation.

Dismissals the past week were Mrs. E. L. Hansen last Wednesday, Ernest Brooks on Sunday, Mrs. E. Link and Mrs. Jennie Peffer, both of Powers, on Wednesday.

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Coos Schools To Get Income Tax Funds

Coos county public schools will receive \$346,802 from Oregon state income taxes during the coming 1948-49 school year.

All public schools in Oregon will receive roughly \$13,000,000 of income tax revenue, or \$12,903,872 based on 1944-45 figures. This amount of income tax proceeds goes to public schools throughout Oregon partly as result of laws enacted by the 1945 state legislature.

Coos county's share of the \$12,903,872, or \$346,802 will consist of the following amounts:

State elementary school tax (2-mills tax on property that is cancelled by state income tax revenues), \$59,132.

State school support fund \$5,000,000 of income tax money, diverted by the 1942 measure, \$131,405.

This county's share of \$2,000,000 of income tax money that was added to the \$5,000,000 school support fund by the 1945 legislature will be \$55,493. This amount is distributed on a "teacher unit" basis among the various school districts in our county.

Coos county's share of \$1,000,000 of income tax money that was added to the \$5,000,000 school support fund by the 1945 legislature, will be about \$26,282. This amount is distributed on basis of "actual days attendance" ratio among the various school districts.

In addition to the above amounts, this county will receive at least for the next two fiscal years, about \$77,482 from the income tax revenues. This amount will wipe out any levy on property for the county school tax of approximately \$10 per school census child.

Almost one-half of the cost of public schools in Oregon is now being paid by revenue from the two state income taxes, personal and corporate. Although much of the \$13,000,000 of income tax revenue now being diverted to public schools is supposed to reduce property taxes for school purposes, actually much of the property tax "offset" state-source revenue is being absorbed by special levies over the six per cent limitation being voted by many school districts.

Marriage Licenses

May 23—Arthur Holmgren, Jr., and Melba Goddard, both of Bandon. They were married at the Presbyterian church there last Thursday.

May 24—Keith O. Wiley and Lella-gene Gilchrist, both of Colorado Springs, Colo.

May 24—Ervin A. Hagemester, of Aurora, Nebr., and Betty Jean Matthews, of Reedsport.

May 25—Earl Leach, of Klamath Falls, and Josie L. Baker, of Hauser.

May 25—J. Marnihan and Vera B. Cruise, both of Seattle.

May 26—Harold L. Whitsett and Dolores L. Rutherford, both of Bandon.

May 28—Carl William Hoover, of Harrison, Iowa, and Betty M. Dean, of Coos Bay.

May 29—James A. Kilgore, of Myrtle Point, and Augusta E. Stevenson, of Dunsmuir, Calif.

May 29—Harry J. Goldman, of Seattle, and Virginia Anne Dickinson, of Portland.

Townsend Club No. 2 Notes

Townsend Club, No. 2, met at the home of Viola Liday on May 24. The meeting was called to order by the

president. After the business meeting, members worked quilting a quilt. Penny collection prize went to Mildred Miller and the penny-drill prize was won by Florence De-Noma. The club will meet at the home of Grace Keck on June 7.

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