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Committees Are All At Work On July Fourth Celebration

Committees in charge of various features for Coquille's July 3rd and 4th celebration met in the city hall Tuesday evening and, in the absence of W. H. Fortler from the city, named Evan Alborn as chairman.

It was voted by the committees that the parade be held at 11:00 a. m. on the Fourth, and organizations and individuals are requested to begin now to plan for their floats or entries.

Another matter on which the clubs and organizations are requested to begin planning for at once is their entry as a candidate for queen of the celebration. There is to be no contest in connection with the selection of queen but a secret committee will make the choice after the candidates' names are all in. The young ladies, who must be between 17 and 20 years of age, who are not selected as queen will be members of the Court of Honor.

The plan now is that the organization sponsoring the candidate will pay for the formal she will wear during the two-day affair. There will be a parade of the queen and her attendants on Monday, July 3, preceding the first of the three July 4th dances to be held in the Community Building.

In addition to the Coquille High School band, the Coos Bay Eagles' Fife and Drum Corps and the young ladies band from Roseburg are to be invited to participate in the Fourth parade. Larry Lundquist, chairman of the parade committee, said that three bands should be the limit, so that the music from one would not interfere with that of the others.

After a considerable discussion with J. L. Smith, chairman of the horse show arrangements at the ball park, it was decided to ask all the horse owners who have studs they can bring to that show, to meet with the general committee at the city hall this Thursday evening.

Reports from other committees showed that each one of them is actively engaged in trying to make this year's Victory Celebration an even more entertaining one than was last year's very splendid event.

Two-Thirds Bond Issue Sold Here

Coquille's purchase of bonds of the 7th War Loan issue, reported from the bank and postoffice yesterday, totals \$185,516.75, which is 87.4 per cent of the combined quota of \$275,000 for the city.

The E bond sale was reported as being \$94,368.75, which is slightly over 54 per cent of the \$175,000 quota.

On other bonds the quota here is \$100,000, of which \$91,148 have been sold, which is 91.1 per cent of the quota.

Boys Home On Furlough And Leave From the Service

We can only make casual mention of a number of service boys this week because of lack of detailed information. Friends tell us Harry Hubbell is home, that Ralph Holmstrom is on his way home from Camp Shelby, Miss., and that Bob Lowell is home. Jim Crouch is home for thirty days. He has been hospitalized in New York, after serving three years overseas. He arrived about the 26th of May. Jack Carroll arrived a week ago today from an overseas station. Friends report he saw Chas. Mulkey, Harold Winegar and Louis Gilbert while overseas.

Gordon Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Lawrence, came in Monday from his Army camp at Tulalake, on a three-day furlough to visit home folks.

Tom Drake, Radio Instructor in the Army, stationed at St. Louis, Mo., arrived with his wife in Coquille Monday, spend about eleven days before returning to his post. They are visiting his parents who live here; and Mrs. Drake's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard, of Monterey, California, have also arrived to be with the young folks.

Miss Marion Hess, who has a year-round position as supervisor of the home-making department of the Albany schools, was here Saturday and Sunday, a guest at the R. L. Stewart home while Margaret Stewart was here. The latter left Wednesday to return to her duties as WAVE store-keeper at her post in southern California.

Labor Council For New Court House

A most encouraging reason for optimism that the measure on the June 22 election ballot to provide funds for a new court house for Coos county will be approved by the electorate, was the action of the Southwestern Oregon Central Labor Council at Coos Bay last week. That body endorsed the proposed measure and will recommend to all the subordinate locals that their membership support it.

It should be thoroughly understood that the site for the new court house, if its construction is approved as it should be on June 22, is not involved at this time. Unless another election is held and the voters cast a majority for some other location, the county court will spend the money, which a favorable vote on June 22 would provide, in having a new fire-proof structure erected on the county's block here in Coquille.

Geo. Johnson Sells Cream O'Coos

A business change in Coquille, which took place June 1, sees Geo. R. Johnson, who has operated the Cream O'Coos Ice Cream Co. for 25 years, lacking one month, quit the manufacture of ice cream, butter and ice here. He has sold both the business and the building at the foot of Willard street to L. W. Moore, who comes here from Chico, Calif. The latter is an experienced man in this line of manufacturing and, before going to Chico, was located in Eugene, Oregon.

Mr. Moore left Tuesday for Chico to close up his affairs there and on his return will be accompanied by Mrs. Moore and their 13-year old son. The beer business which Mr. Johnson handled as a brewery representative was not included in the deal and he will continue to supply retailers in this section.

Dean Dubach To Be Here June 12

Tuesday, June 12, is the date for the next inter-church fellowship dinner with Dean U. G. Dubach as speaker. Dr. Dubach has been here in the past and has not failed to hold his audience to the last minute. There are few speakers who are more capable than he is. His subject will be, "World Trends and their Christian Background."

This will be held at the Pioneer Methodist church, as have the others, and the ladies of the Christian church will have charge of the dining room. The Ministerial Association of Coquille has sponsored the programs and the committee of ladies have cared for the meals and the serving of them. This will be a pot-luck dinner, served at 7:00 p. m., as have the others preceding it.

Coquille Court of Honor Postponed For Two Weeks

According to announcement made by the Scout Council, the Scout Honor Court, which was to be held in the Liberty Theatre Thursday, June 7, will be postponed for about two weeks. The Court of Honor was planned for the public, and visiting troops were expected to attend. The Council expressed regret that, due to the fact that the Scouts have been held back by the changing of Scoutmasters and due to other circumstances, the Scouts are not ready for advancement just at this time.

The H. S. Norton's Attended Joy's Graduation and Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Norton returned at a very early hour Tuesday morning from their trip to Portland and Forest Grove on which they left Monday last week. They attended the graduation of their daughter, Joy, from Pacific University College at Forest Grove on May 30 and on Sunday the candlelight wedding of Joy to Dean Brown of the U. S. Marines.

The Lloyd Clavers Enjoying Visit From Two of His Brothers

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Claver and two children of Sweeney, Texas, arrived Saturday, June 2, to visit his brother, Lloyd. Glen Claver, another brother, who formerly lived in Coquille, is here on furlough from his station with the Army at Anchorage, Alaska, but will leave this week. Ray expects to do a little salmon fishing on the Rogue, while here.

C. of C. Endorses Coos Measures At June 22 Election

The Coquille Chamber of Commerce at its noon session in the Coffee Shop on Tuesday, went on record in favor of the two Coos county measures which are to be on the ballot at the special election, June 22, the \$300,000-at \$80,000 a year for five years—for a new court house, and the \$200,000 measure for post-war road construction to match federal funds which will be available. The directors voted to pay for an adv. in next week's Sentinel giving publicity to the ballot measures.

R. L. Stewart reported to the 23 business men present the meeting of various club representatives when the subject of an additional building at the high school was discussed. The Chamber of Commerce voted unanimously to support a proposal of \$300,000 for construction of such a building.

President Alborn announced that Harry I. Nettleton, an official of the Forest Service, would be present at the next chamber meeting, at noon June 19, to address the session on the subject of Oregon-California timber holdings, owned by the United States. B. W. Dunn was named as a committee to sell tickets for the luncheon.

The last "lady's day" session of the chamber was so successful that it was decided to have another in the near future.

Chairman Don Farr announced that the membership solicitation committee would meet for a breakfast in the hotel Wednesday morning and then canvass the business section for subscriptions to the chamber's 1945 budget program.

Carl Morrison reported a price at which 1,000 postal card pictures of the Community Building, with Coquille publicity on the obverse side, could be obtained. The idea was that the cards should be placed in the hotel lobby and at other points where Coquille visitors would have an opportunity to pick them up.

The suggestion brought another from E. J. Thockmorton of the Coquille Studio, who said his photograph gallery and the Sentinel could furnish the cards at the same price—\$25 for a thousand—and the publicity committee was authorized to secure such cards.

Rotary Club Votes To Back School Board Building Program

After a very spirited forum discussion of the matter, the Coquille Rotary Club went on record as endorsing the plan of the school board to build a new high school building with recreational and physical training facilities for both pupils and young people past school age, providing a satisfactory site can be found.

It seemed to be the general consensus of opinion that this plan would be better than trying to remodel the old building and would provide ample facilities for the schools for years to come.

The plan as worked out is to construct a new building for the high school, transfer the Junior High to the present high school building and take care of a part of the lower grades from the Washington school in the Junior High building.

Mrs. Martha Mulkey To Wed B. R. Purdy, June 18

The many friends and acquaintances of Martha Mulkey, County School Superintendent, are happy to learn of her forthcoming marriage to Bruce R. Purdy. The morning ceremony will take place at eleven o'clock, Monday, June 18, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Donald Farr, on Fourth Street in Coquille.

Mrs. Mulkey will continue working and expects to be back in the office about the twenty-fifth. Mr. Purdy was formerly of California, but has resided in Coos county the past three years. At present he is employed at Farr & Elwood's. They expect to be at home in the Wilson Apartments after July 5.

County Budget Committee To Complete Work Today

John D. Carl, of the Arago section, was the third member of the citizens' committee appointed by the county court to prepare the Coos county budget. He, Judge Felsheim, Commissioners Culver and Hildenbrand, R. A. Jeub and Fritz Hazen are the six who began work on the budget Tuesday and expected to have the job completed today.

Florence Barton New President B. P. W.

An impressive and beautiful ceremony last Monday night, the new officers in the Business and Professional Women's Club were installed in office. Ruth Bayars, chairman of Emblem, was the officiating officer of installation. The affair was formal and the members were attractive in evening gowns. Club colors, green and gold, were carried out in the decorations by the use of wild geese and green candles.

New officers are: Florence Barton, president; Hattie Lee Holimon, first vice president; Mabel Johnson, second vice president; Idyle Godard, W.P.A., and Inez Rover, sec.

Past presidents who assisted the installing officer were: Ida Oerding, Georgia Richmond, Viola Newton, Inez Chase and Florence Hallock. The B. P. W. emblem was used as a background for the ceremony. It opened with the emblem collect and closed with the emblem benediction hymn.

In the order of proceedings, Florence Barton, president-elect, was presented with the Niki, the winged Victory, and a garland; Hattie Lee Holimon, first vice president, with the torch of wisdom, by Viola Newton; Mabel Johnson, 2nd vice president, with the herald's staff, by Georgia Richmond; Inez Rover, with the open scroll, by Inez Chase; Idyle Godard, with the ship of commerce, by Florence Hallock. As each officer received her symbol, she placed it within the golden circle. Mrs. Bayars gave each officer her charge and lighted her candle.

Bertha Smith's committee had charge of refreshments and Leah Rover poured the coffee at the beautifully appointed table.

BonDance Here Friday Evening

A "battle of bands," in which seven Coos county orchestras will furnish music for the BonDance to be held in the Coquille Community Building tomorrow, Friday, June 8, from nine until one o'clock, has been arranged by the musicians' union of southwestern Oregon, who are donating their music in this patriotic effort to increase 7th War Bond sales in the county.

Any 7th War Bond purchased since May 14 will entitle a couple to a ticket and there will probably be applications for bonds on hand at the Community Building tomorrow night, but proof must be given that a Bond has been purchased.

This is something new in the promotion of war bond sales and everyone has done so, or will purchase a bond, should attend, the Community Building will be crowded tomorrow night.

Coquille Credit Bureau Session, June 11, For Members Only

The next meeting of the Coquille Retail Credit Ass'n, to be held at a luncheon session in the Coffee Shop next Monday noon, June 11, will be a closed meeting—for members only—and visitors cannot be admitted. Each member is requested to bring the names of poor accounts on his books and a general discussion of those in this section who should not be entitled to future credit, because of their neglect to pay in the past, will be the principal business of the session.

All members of the Coquille Credit Ass'n are urged to attend this important dinner meeting, by the bureau manager, N. P. McDonald.

Tough On Don Gillespie; Has No Time For Fishing

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Stevens returned Monday evening from a trip to Klamath Falls, Tulalake and Medford, on which they left Tuesday last week. They went over especially to see Mr. and Mrs. Don Gillespie.

Mr. Stevens reports that Don went over to Klamath Falls as assistant manager of that very large concern, the Pacific Supply Co-op., and that on June 1 he became active manager of the firm there. It is an establishment doing a tremendous business and Don hasn't had time to do any fishing this year.

At Tulalake the Stevens saw Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hand, whom they found very comfortably situated.

Capt. Jess Barton, who received his discharge from the Army yesterday, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Jacqueline, arrived here yesterday. They are living at present in the apartment over The Title Co. office.

Job's Daughters' Officers Installed

An open installation of the Guardian Council and Officers of Bethel No. 18, Order of Job's Daughters was held Monday evening, June 4, in the Masonic Temple. Mrs. Esther Dunlap of Eugene, Vice Grand Guardian for the state of Oregon, was present to install the Guardian Council consisting of: Mrs. Paul Snider, Guardian; D. E. Rackleff, Associate Guardian; Mrs. Harry Godard, Guardian Secretary; Mrs. D. E. Rackleff, Guardian Treasurer; Mrs. Julius Ruble, Guardian of Finance; Mrs. Ray Buckles, Guardian of Paraphernalia; Mrs. Denton Ellingson, Guardian of Sociability; and Mrs. Ray Detlefsen, Guardian of Hospitality. Both incoming and retiring Guardians were presented with corsages.



MISS PAT YARBROUGH
New Queen Coquille Bethel
Job's Daughters

The following Bethel officers were then installed:

Honored Queen—Pat Yarbrough
Sr. Princess—Laura Emily Rubie
Junior Princess—Robert's Mellye
Guide—Joyce Benham
Marshal—Sally Bonney
Chaplain—Marion Moore
Treasurer—Lois Hansen
Recorder—Sally Gable
First Messenger—Joanne Savage
Second Messenger—Barbara Barton
Third Messenger—Phyllis Chezem
Fourth Mess'gr—Rose Marie Peart
Fifth Messenger—Carl Gray
Senior Custodian—Alene Hunt
Jr. Custodian—Dorothy Williams
Inner Guard—Anne Harbison
Outer Guard—Lue Lindsay
Miss Marianne Rackleff, retiring Honored Queen, was assisted in the installation of Bethel officers by the Misses Phyllis Litzberger, Installing Guide; Jessie Sherwood, Installing Marshal; Gwen Eired, Installing Recorder; Colleen Ireland, Installing Chaplain, and Marybelle Yarbrough Installing Musician.

Following the presentation of her gavel to the new Honored Queen, a lovely nosegay with given to her by the officers and members.

As entertainment, six girls danced the minuet while Miss Ariel Crook sang. A Rainbow Degree was performed by eight Job's Daughters in honor of Mrs. John Moore, retiring Guardian. Mrs. Moore was presented with a purple and white bouquet and a Guardian pin.

As part of the closing ceremony, white gladioli, each tied with a purple ribbon and bearing the signature of one of her officers, were given to Miss Marianne Rackleff, the retiring Honored Queen. She also received a past Queen's Jewel.

The installation was followed by a very lovely reception given by the retiring Guardian Council and Past Honored Queens.

Mrs. Bernadine Wilson and daughter, Helen, are visiting friends in Coquille this week. Mrs. Wilson recently sold her home in the Eastmoreland district of Portland and plans to leave for the eastern coast, where she will reside in New Jersey for the coming year and Helen will enter a young ladies' school in New York.

Mrs. Mary Burns is making a good recovery from her recent serious illness. She sits up most of the time now and last Sunday afternoon enjoyed a short ride down the Burns Acres lower road. Mrs. Burns stated the many kindnesses shown her, along with the beautiful potted plants, bouquets and get-well cards, touched her greatly and she wishes to extend her appreciation and thanks to her friends and neighbors.

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Council Session Monday Evening Lasts An Hour

Mayor Wood and five councilmen were present at the regular meeting of the city dads Monday evening when the usual grist of monthly bills were ordered paid.

The first matter coming to their attention was the offer of the county to sell the city, for \$150, Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 51, Elliott's Addition, which are at the northeast corner of the intersection of Beach and Fifth streets. The county has had an offer from private parties of that amount for the three lots and gives the city first chance at them. The city has \$236.32 against the lots for improvement assessments, which would make a total of \$386.32 invested had the purchase been made. The councilmen felt that those lots were not worth that amount and voted not to buy.

Another city-owned lot, 50x95 feet, on Heath between Eighth and Ninth, which the city had taken over for delinquent assessments, was sold to Walter Moore for \$400. It is the old Perkins lot in which which the city had \$487 invested.

A \$2,000 bond, indemnifying the city for any damage done to Second and Hall streets by the hauling of lumber over them from the Kenro Mill Co., east of town above Second street, was accepted. The name of Kenneth H. Foote appeared on the bonding company's paper.

After some talk with Engineer Gearhart, who said that his plan was to put concrete all around the sewer pipe on the lot east of Hall street, where Jack Dolan expects to fill in and bring the lot up to grade next month, the city engineer was authorized to cap the line across Mr. Dolan's lots.

After hearing complaint of water users on East Eleventh street that not one could draw water from his faucet if another faucet was open, the council ordered the Water Department to lay larger pipe up there. At the present the four-inch water line ends at the end of the Eleventh street paving; there is a two-inch line for a block and the balance of the line is only one inch in diameter.

Fire Chief Craig Perrott reported that the entrance to Athletic Park on Heath street always becomes so congested whenever there is anything going on there that is impossible to answer an emergency call from the park, either for fire truck or ambulance. The matter was referred to the council's street committee which will probably order "No Parking" signs there on one side of Heath.

The final business transacted was to order that Engineer Gearhart have the fire trails east of the city brushed and cleaned out.

Former Resident Here Buried At Norway Cemetery Monday

Mrs. Maude MacDonald, a well-known and beloved resident of Coquille several years ago when her husband, Rev. T. B. MacDonald, now deceased, was pastor of the Church of Christ here, passed away at her home in Port Orford last Friday, and funeral services were held at the Christian Church here, Rev. Liston Parrish officiating, on Monday this week. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery, with Schroeder Bros. Mortuaries in charge.

Those who carried the casket to Mrs. MacDonald's final resting place were John S. Sanders, Forrest Moon, Eugene Nosler, Virgil Libbey, Elmer Russell and Louis Aasen.

She was born in Chicago July 9, 1877, and was ten months and 22 days past 67 years of age.

Mrs. Crump Asks To Have Son's Body Brought Home

Mrs. Lena Crump has made application to the proper authorities to have the body of her son, Lloyd Joseph Crump, brought home for burial. "Joe" was killed in action on Luzon, April 9. He was on a mission in advance of the troops after a hill position had been taken, when a Japanese sniper shot him through the throat with a machine gun. Mrs. Crump plans to inter the body in the Norway cemetery.

Friends of S/Sgt. Jerry Butler have been informed that he has completed 35 combat missions. He is stationed on the Island of Malacca.