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THE PAPER THAT'S LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

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Committees Named To Consider Various Coquille Needs

A movement was recently inaugurated in Coquille by the Rotary club which had been considering what should be done to insure employment for returning veterans. However, when the idea of expanding that idea with consideration of other matters needing attention in the city, it was decided to invite the Lions club, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion also to participate, and a meeting was held in the city hall last week at which Oscar Larson was named as chairman. The housing situation in Coquille was also one of the matters considered at the meeting and after a pretty thorough discussion of various items, Chairman Larson appointed the following committees to go into the subjects assigned to them and to report at a future meeting:

Housing—L. W. Claver, Evan Alborn, Geo. F. Burr, Geo. A. Ulett and J. A. Berg.

Finance—O. L. Wood, Geo. H. Jenkins and C. W. Kline.

Employment—L. A. Lundquist, Almon L. Geiss, Allen Smith and K. P. Lawrence.

G. I. Bill of Rights and Education—John L. Shilling, Wm. J. Head and Cliff Gulseth.

General Information and Advisory—R. L. Stewart, E. L. Dettelsen, D. E. Rackliff and Geo. F. Burr.

Legion Auxiliary Installed Monday

The American Legion Auxiliary held its first meeting of the fall season in Legion Hall on Monday night. Plans were formulated for a change of meeting place to the Community Building as soon as the small auditorium is ready for use. Following the regular business session, the new officers were installed for the coming year, as follows:

President—Grace Dettelsen.
1st Vice-Pres.—Alice Jenkins.
2nd Vice-Pres.—Madge Heator.
Sec'y.—Gladys Williams.
Treas.—Mabel Hughes.
Chaplain—Eula Schram.
Historian—Doris Mintonye.

Sgt. at Arms—Mabel Kunz.
As a token of appreciation, Doris Mintonye was presented with a Past President's pin.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments of cake and coffee were served by the hostess committee, composed of Mabel Hughes, Vera Oerding and Mildred Miller, to all Legion and Auxiliary members present.

Coquille Ministerial Association Elects New Officers Monday

The Coquille Ministerial Association held its first meeting for the year 1945-46 September tenth at the Methodist Church at which time Rev. Bennie Howe, pastor of the Methodist Church, was elected president to succeed Rev. Liston Parrish, pastor of the Church of Christ, who has served efficiently for four years. Rev. W. R. Munger, pastor of the Assembly of God, was elected as secretary-treasurer.

Lloyd Gregg Expected Home Soon For A Few Days

Lloyd Gregg called up Mrs. Gregg here last week-end from southern California. He had been expecting to be sent up to Bremerton and would stop over in the old home town on the way north. There is not room for him up there at the base now, however, and his arrival here is still uncertain but she expects him soon.

Nice Salmon, Good Sunburn Caught Sunday On The River

Stacey, 16-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson of the Western Auto Supply, landed a nice 2 1/2 pound Chinook salmon in the river Sunday. He had 150 feet of line out and did not have the fish caught in the mouth but to one side of it. His dad who was with him caught a nice coat of sunburn.

Coquille Bakery Reopened On Monday This Week

The Coquille Bakery which had been closed since July 21 for remodeling and repairs, opened again Monday morning this week with a complete line of bakery products, such as they carried in the past.

Dr. Geo. W. Peavy Speaker At Rotary

District Governor Dr. George W. Peavy, of Rotary District 102, was the guest speaker at the luncheon meeting of the Coquille Rotary Club at the hotel on Wednesday.

Dr. Peavy, who is president of Oregon State College, took as his subject, "Rotary In A Changing World," and delivered a masterly talk that was given close attention by those fortunate enough to be present.

"The United Nations have won the war," he stated. "It is now up to us to see that we win the peace which is to follow and not fall down on the job as we did after 1918."

"Rotary, with its upwards of a quarter of a million membership, today stands at the point of its greatest opportunity and responsibility, to use its influence to see that the San Francisco Charter is made to work. It will work," he said, "it is up to us to see that it does."

"We are in a changing world of progress," stated Dr. Peavy. "We can't go back. We are going forward. We must work with Great Britain, France, China and most especially Russia, with its potentialities of becoming the most powerful nation on earth."

One point that Dr. Peavy stressed emphatically was that there must be no soft peace. "There are fifty million Nazis in Germany and millions of Japs in Japan that were responsible for this war and they must be curbed for generations if necessary."

At the close of his address, Hode Caughell, on behalf of the club, presented Dr. Peavy with a set of myrtlewood book ends.

Ariel Crook, Rotary candidate for Queen last July, was a guest and President Wood presented her with a pen and pencil set as a token of appreciation by the club.

Dave Kline, student body president of the High school, was presented by Supt. Morrison and will act as conductor of the club.

Rotarian guests present were J. E. Dettelsen, Arthur Jones and W. J. Crimm, all of Myrtle Point. Other guests were Lieut. Robert Morrison and Lieut. Delbert Driscoll, of the U. S. Army; Geo. A. Ulett and Lloyd Claver, of Coquille; Arthur Montgomery, of Spokane, and Neal Johnson, of Coos Bay.

At the District Governors' dinner meeting Wednesday evening, with the directors and chairmen of committees, H. L. Vaughan, a member of Rotary No. 1 of Chicago, was present as a guest.

First National Vice President Here In Regard To Financing

C. M. Gartrell, vice president of the First National Bank of Portland, who is in charge of the bank's Mortgage Loan Dept., was in Coquille Wednesday morning, conferring with a committee appointed last week by Oscar Larson to see what can be done about relieving the house shortage in Coquille. As yet no plans have developed, but it is hoped that relief along that line can be announced before long.

Seniors Present Public Address System To High School

The Coquille High School has announced the purchase of a new public address system to be used at football and basketball games, dances and other school functions.

The Senior Class of last year, with their sponsor, Mrs. Thora Watson, voted to use the surplus class funds obtained through the Senior play and other class functions to purchase for the school this much needed P. A. system. As this is a highly efficient and rather expensive piece of equipment, a portion of the cost above the amount in the class treasury was contributed by the school board.

The system will be in operation for the first home football game, which is to be with North Bend on Saturday, October 13, and it is expected to add greatly to the crowd's interest and enjoyment of the tussle.

Army Changed Specifications On Its Lumber Contracts

Representative Ralph T. Moore, who furnishes a weekly column for Coos county papers, was here from Bandon Monday. He said that the Moore Mill & Lumber Co. was cutting some lumber for civilian consumption, but that most of the cancelled Army contracts had been renewed with different specifications.

First Session Of New Year For The Woman's Club

A friendly welcome was extended to new and old members of the Coquille Woman's Club on Tuesday by the new president, Mrs. J. A. Moore. Ninety ladies assembled at 2:15 p. m. in the Parish House September 11 for the first meeting of the new term. Mrs. Moore stressed the importance in the organization of each individual member.

Mrs. George Johnson, chairman of the membership committee, reported two hundred and twenty-five paid up members. Throughout the meeting Mrs. Moore showed a marked consideration for the new members.

The following new officers at the executive table were introduced: 1st vice pres., Mrs. F. A. Robb; 2nd vice pres., Mrs. Harold Stromquist; Rec.-Sec., Mrs. Allen Smith; Treas., Mrs. Guy Mauney; Cor.-Sec., Mrs. John Purkey.

The group voted in favor of the executive board's recommendation that as a major project for the year, the club sponsor a movement to establish a Girl Scout association for Coquille. The club arrived at this decision after listening to a talk by Mrs. Michael Boileau of North Bend, Coos county organizer of Girl Scouts. Girls Scout activities were presented by representatives of the North Bend.

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Spuds On Vine Above Ground

O. B. Finch, who resides on East First street here, brought in a potato vine Monday on which all the spuds, about 18 of them, had grown on the vine above the ground, with none at the root where potatoes usually develop. They were about marble size and apparently would have grown no larger for the other vines in his garden, planted at the same time, all had first-size tubers below ground. They were the Bliss Triumph variety and Mr. Finch said he was going to plant some of the larger marble-sized ones to see if he could develop a new type of potatoes. It will be interesting to learn what success he has and whether spuds can be grown on the vine. He had been told that lots of potatoes grown in Ireland are on the vine instead of at the root.

Will Be Purkey's Appliance Salesman

Lieut. Delbert Driscoll, who was employed in the J. C. Penney Co. store here before he entered the Army three years ago, has returned to Coquille, with Mrs. Driscoll and their daughter. He has joined the John Purkey force here and will be in charge of the appliances department of the Purkey stock, in the corner room of the hotel building, next door to the Mt. States Power Co. office. The room is to be fitted up as a sales room and will be open during all business hours.

Lieut. Driscoll, who is in the Engineer Corps, has not yet been released by the Army and must report to the hospital in southern California in a couple of months for another examination before he is discharged. For the past 15 months he has been in the hospital for treatment of injuries he received from an explosion in Arizona.

Prior to that he had been a student and then an instructor in the Corps school at Georgetown, Md., and had also been on duty in Washington, D. C.

Dorothy Glaisyer To Be Married—Dr. Glaisyer Is Better

In a letter to Mrs. W. E. Bosserman, Mrs. V. V. Glaisyer writes from Portland that her daughter, Dorothy, is to be married Sunday, Sept. 16, to Lee Sawyer of Seattle. Dr. Glaisyer is some better, Mrs. Glaisyer said. The family address is 4605 N. E. Alameda, Portland.

Mrs. O. C. Sanford will leave this (Thursday) evening to attend an important meeting to be held in Portland Saturday by the State Scholarship Loan committee of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Sanford is still a voting member of this committee.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

Retention Regulation W Favored Here

There were 15 present at the Coquille Credit Bureau semi-monthly session, held in the hotel dining room Tuesday noon, when Program Chairman D. E. Rackliff brought up many items for discussion about credit matters.

N. P. McDonald, manager of the Bureau, reported three new members secured since his last report.

President Don Farr stated that he would assist in any way that he could in getting group meetings of merchants held, that is, meetings of members in the same line of business who have their own particular credit problems to consider. It is intended to have such group meetings soon.

Evan Alborn, Chamber of Commerce president, talked on Regulation W of the federal code which requires that in the purchase of appliances, machinery and many other items, on time, at least a third of the purchase price must be paid down and the balance paid in 12 months. All members present were of the opinion that Regulation W should be continued in effect, even after the war's end causes an easing of many government restrictions.

Mr. McDonald also reported that at least 50 per cent of the collections by the agency since January 1 this year were of outlawed accounts.

The next dinner session of the Bureau members will be held in the hotel at noon on Monday, Sept. 17.

Sunday Warmest Day Of The Year

The thermometer on Sunday set a new maximum mark for 1945 when it reached the 85 degree level, which was two degrees higher than it registered twice in August. On Monday it was only one degree lower, stopping at the 84 mark, but that was eight degrees less than it is reported the temperature was out in Fairview valley the same day.

On Tuesday the thermometer registered 72 degrees and on Wednesday the maximum was 69.

Four Leave For Nebraska—Don Chase In Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Reiber, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Donald Chase, and Mrs. Averill O. Monnett of Portland, left Monday evening for a two weeks' trip to Nebraska. They are traveling by automobile and intended to drive straight through. They felt it useless to attempt to find hotel or camp accommodations after listening to reports made by recent travelers. The party will visit relatives at Hastings and Sutton, Nebr.

Jean Reiber Chase became the bride of Donald Chase of Coquille on July 31. Don, who received his discharge from the Air Corps recently, was in service three and one-half years and was a staff sergeant. He was a prisoner in Germany three months. A stomach injury, received during a parachute landing, was uncared for during imprisonment and has become troublesome. Don is now at McChord Field in Tacoma, where he was hospitalized for two weeks and must remain for three or four months to receive therapeutic ray treatments.

Fire Department Called To A Flue Fire Wednesday

Wednesday evening's fire alarm, about 6:30, called the department to the old Gardner house, just east of the Roxy theatre building where a flue burning out caused anxiety.

Lieut. and Mrs. Dean Janey Visit The Geo. H. Chaney's

Lt. and Mrs. Dean Janey stopped off at Laurel Lake last Sunday and accompanied the Geo. Chaney's home for an over-night visit at their home in Coquille. Mrs. Janey, nee Margaret Ann Wilson, is the eldest daughter of Mrs. Bernadean Wilson, formerly of Portland. Mrs. Janey has been with her husband at Palm Springs, Calif., where he received his discharge from the Air Corps recently. He was a co-pilot on a bomber and completed several missions before being returned home. He and Mrs. Janey will both re-enter Reed College to complete their studies.

Episcopal Guild To Have Rummage Sale Soon

St. James' Episcopal Guild will hold a Rummage Sale in the near future. Anyone having rummage to donate please call 56M.

Suffers 2nd Degree Burns In The Fire

When the fire department was called to the Chas. Curtis home in the Mrs. Ruble house across the street from the Roxy, about four o'clock last Saturday afternoon, the First Aid car was also called to take Mrs. Curtis to Dr. L. B. Gould's office, where she received treatment for second degree burns on a leg and arm. She was taken home later and will have to be in bed for about two weeks.

The fire started in the kitchen when the kerosene can she was using to help start the fire began to blaze, filling the house with smoke. She rushed out to throw the can on to the lot to the east and the high, dead weeds and grass there caught fire and was spreading rapidly when the fire trucks reached the scene and extinguished it there and in the house.

Sewage Disposal Plant Site Bought

A deal which definitely establishes the site of Coquille's sewage disposal plant when it is built in the near future, as required by the State Board of Health, was concluded last Thursday when the Smith Wood-Products company delivered to the city a deed for the 12.48 acres, between the railroad and the river west of town, the old Sitka Spruce Mill site.

The consideration was \$4,000, which is considered a most reasonable figure for land in that section.

The company retained the boom rights along the river front except for two spots, 50 and 100 feet wide, which will be necessary for the operation of the plant.

Capt. Fred Lorenz Home A Few Days

Capt. Fred Lorenz of the U. S. Army was in Coquille on a 15-day furlough, from Camp Callan, near San Diego, where he is in the Service of Supplies department. He has been in the service for two years and a half, his last visit home being early this year.

Capt. Fred wanted to go down to the Rogue on a fishing trip but as there were no vacant cabins down there, he and Mrs. Lorenz left Tuesday afternoon on a trip up the coast, expecting to go as far as Newport.

Radio Publicity For Coquille Woman's Club Tomorrow

Mrs. George L. Maynard has inaugurated this year a series of Radio Broadcasts as a publicity feature for the Coquille Woman's Club. Listen next Friday, Sept. 14, at 2:15 p. m. over KOOS for an interview with Mrs. M. J. Boileau, of North Bend. Mrs. Harold Stromquist, of Coquille, will play the piano. This will be the third broadcast of the series, which will continue throughout the fall and winter.

Mrs. Wiggins Fully Recovered After Three Months In Hospital

Friends of Mrs. Rosa Wiggins will be happy to learn she is now home after three months of hospitalization following an accident on May 28. Mrs. Wiggins was struck by a car as she started to cross the street, receiving many broken bones and other injuries. Doctors predicted it would be a year before she would be able to leave the hospital, but the pelvic fracture healed rapidly, as did the other injuries, and she was able to go home in three months time. Her daughter reports she was down town shopping one day last week.

Dr. Bunch And Family Return From Vacation

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Bunch and Jim returned Monday evening from their ten-day vacation trip to Wallowa Lake. Jim is expecting his call to the Navy in a month or six weeks. As they passed through Portland on their way home they stopped at the hospital where Clarence Osika is confined and visited him.

Red Cross To Meet Friday

The Coquille Red Cross will meet Friday, September 14, at Guild Hall from 1:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Mrs. F. C. True, Chairman. Al Montgomery is enjoying a visit by his brother, Arthur, from Spokane, Wash., this week.

First National Bank Of Portland Is Now Eighty Years Old

Eighty years ago, just after the close of the Civil war, five Oregon pioneers of vision received their charter for the First National Bank of Portland. The date was September 8, 1865.

The infant banking house was capitalized at \$100,000. Capital funds now total over \$20,000,000.

Through the trying period following the Civil war, through the monetary panics of 1893 and 1907, the Spanish-American War, World War I and World War II, not to mention the prosperous times of peace between these conflicts, the First National Bank has grown with Oregon and extended its influence in the civic and business life of the city and state.

Since that early day before any bridges spanned the Willamette river in Portland, the bank has grown to be one of the nation's leading institutions with resources of \$485,000,000 and a statewide system of modern banking service through its 40 branches and eight affiliated banks throughout Oregon.

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James Watson Family Here For Few Days

Former Judge James Watson, Mrs. Watson—the former Eva Schroeder—and their daughter, Clarabelle, came in last Saturday evening from their home in Seattle. They were accompanied by Mrs. Laura Kramer, the former "Babe" Watson, and her son, Jimmy, from Portland. Sam Kramer, another son, drove up with a friend, Al Welnu, from the big airfield in Florida, where they are stationed in the Air Corps, and arrived Friday evening.

They enjoyed Saturday night, Sunday and that night at the C. L. Tuttle cottage on Croft Lake and returned to Coquille Monday with the Tuttles.

The Kramers and Welnu left Monday for Portland and Judge and Mrs. Watson left today to return to their home. Clarabelle is employed by the Boeing factory there and had a few days lay-off.

This Visitor Flew From Nicaragua To The U. S.

One of Coquille's most interesting visitors for some time past is small, white-haired Gladys Smith, who flew from Nicaragua, Central America, to the States, and has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Elmer Jensen, since September 2. Mrs. Smith, who was accompanied here by her daughter, is the owner and operator of a coffee plantation in Nicaragua, which is being managed by her sons while she experiences the first trip to the U.S.A. in sixteen years. She plans a trip to Tacoma shortly, and one to Chicago, if train reservations permit.

The coffee plantation was first purchased by Mrs. Smith's father before the building of the Panama Canal, when the proposed route for the canal was through Nicaragua. She was then eight years of age and the family made annual trips to the States for many years.

Preparation For Citizenship Classes At The University

A course in "Preparation for Citizenship" is being offered by the general extension division of the Oregon State System of Higher Education in cooperation with the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, according to Miss Mozelle Hair, head of correspondence study, whose offices are on the University of Oregon campus in Eugene.

The course, consisting of 21 lessons, is planned especially for citizenship candidates who cannot attend organized study classes held in the larger cities of Oregon. This will help them to prepare for their final citizenship examination.

The textbook and home study lessons are furnished by the government and are mailed out by the correspondence study office at request. There is a charge of \$3.50 for those taking the course.

Big time at Eagles Hall September 22, at eight o'clock! Pinochle and Bingo! Lunch and prizes. Everybody welcome. Admission 50c.