

New Courthouse Urged

Residents of Coos county who are urging the replacing of the present court house in Coquille with a more fire-proof structure are pointing this week to an item in the Oregonian which follows:

Fire Destroys Aged Building

Crescent City, Cal.—Fire destroyed the old two-story frame courthouse of Del Norte county here early Sunday. Nobody was injured, but some important records in the building—erected in 1879—were lost.

The fire was discovered about 6:30 a. m. Volunteer firemen directed by Chief William Marshall kept the blaze confined and no other buildings in this community of 2500 persons were damaged. Crescent City is on the California coast 21 miles south of the Oregon boundary.

A half dozen prisoners in the county jail, 80 feet from the courthouse, were shifted to new quarters within the jail when the wall on the court-house side was warmed by the blaze.

The building, one of the oldest public structures in California, housed the county court's, county clerk's, surveyor, assessor and superintendent of schools' office.

Cause of the fire was not immediately determined. Value of the courthouse itself was not high, but officials estimated it would cost around \$100,000 to replace it.

Tourist Excursions Planned On Coast

Thousands of dollars are being spent in printing and the mailing of tour guide folders for conducted Oregon Coast summer trips. Mr. Bert Riebe and Mr. J. P. Ramondini, Greyhound passenger agents, said today while in Coquille on an inspection trip.

The colored folders are printed in seven languages with the majority being printed for South America in both Spanish and Portuguese.

Soon all buses on the highways under the Greyhound company will be the Silverside, a General Motors bus, the men said.

At Powers

The school budget was carried by an unanimous ballot Jan. 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whittington have sold their interest on Coos Bay and are moving to Dos Palos, Calif. They visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer, several days before leaving last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ragghoute, formerly of Powers, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Long of Roseburg drove in over the week-end in the Ragghoute new Chrysler. Mr. and Mrs. Ragghoute are moving from Roseburg to Ashland where he is employed on the S. P. railroad. The Longs were visiting Mrs. Long's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kusba.

Bill Newton, S. P. employee out of Roseburg, visited his family over the week-end.

The Powers P. T. A. met at the high school building Friday, Jan. 16th, with the president, Mrs. William Grove, in the chair. Devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Willia Stallard, and Mrs. Effie Shindoll read the national president's message.

A report was given by Mrs. Bruce Munro on the school luncheons, sponsored by the P.T.A. She said an average of 60 persons were served daily. She is assisted by Mrs. Stallard. A copy of the first week's menu was given by Mrs. Shindoll and all agreed it was a well-balanced meal for school children.

Mrs. Fern Bear, teacher of the fifth and sixth grades, presented the following program: Recorder trio by Patty Cook, Yvonne McCulloch and Gail Sheedy, accompanied by B. R. Nicklaus; songs, Cradle Lullaby, Brahms; The Bride of the Sea, a Venetian song; Lord, I Want to Be a Christian, a negro spiritual; by 18 boys and girls.

Skit, "On the Life of Benjamin Franklin." Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, Dean Warner. One-act play, Hesitating Harold, Ronnie Reed, Richard Spitznass, Allene Grove and Patty Cook. Gail Sheedy was master of ceremonies. Dainty refreshments were served following the meeting.



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Restaurant Grading Going Ahead In County

Grading of restaurants in Coos county has been going ahead by County Sanitarian C. Eugene Fields with restaurants graded on the bay, and the work now being confined to this area of Coos county. In the past week 18 restaurants have been graded.

Myrtle Point will be next on Mr. Field's schedule.

Coquille still has some restaurants to be graded, and Bandon is completed. Unusual cooperation was experienced in Bandon, Fields said.

Grades given are A, B, and C. A C grade restaurant must raise its standards to B within 30 days or be suspended from operation until it is brought up to the standard.

Cow Value Stands At 2 Cents

The cow reported last week as costing \$1.00 and which valuation caused the eyebrows of County Assessor Charles Forrest to raise in wonderment, is now valued at two cents, according to its owner, C. Eugene Fields, Coos county sanitarian.

The cow has been in the hands, undergoing ministrations, of Dr. R. N. Crawford, veterinarian, who upon treating the cow last week said he wouldn't give two cents for it.

Exams Held Tuesday

High school students were taking exams Tuesday with many students being exempt from the period testing. Grades will be turned in next week by the instructors.

At McKinley

The Jolly Gardeners' meeting was held at Mrs. Clarence Churchill's home on Friday, Jan. 16th.

Birthdays celebrated this month were those of Mrs. Frank Howard, Mrs. George Glenn and that of a new member, Mrs. H. Hall. Others attending were Mrs. George Ziegler, Mrs. Delbert King, Mrs. Tommy Heyman, Mrs. Ben Hudson and Mrs. S. A. Hutchinson. Coffee and cake were served.

Tommy Heyman made a business trip to Reedsport Sunday.

There are church services held now at Dora on Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and Sunday school at 1:30. Sunday school will be held every Sunday but church services only on the third Sunday of every month. I am sure a lot of us are glad to hear this and all are welcome to attend. Rev. Mr. Briggs from Myrtle Point will lead the church services.

George Zeigler was able to return to work Monday.

Mrs. Delbert King had a very nice visit with Mrs. Elroy Zeigler and Mrs. L. C. Hutchinson Thursday, Jan. 15th.

A dance was held at the Coquille Community building Saturday night, Jan. 17th. Music was by our "Deep Blue River Boys."

Don't forget the school election Friday. Attend and help to get a school bus.

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