



MAY POLE WINDERS—They wound the May Pole, and a colorful affair it was too, Saturday evening at the Coquille Woman's club May Day fete. (Coquille Studio Photo)

## Coquille Valley Sentinel

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### Pioneers Have Large Membership

The Coos-Curry Pioneer and Historical association met at the Coquille Community building on May 8th, and were served a luncheon by a few of the lady members.

President J. Albert Matson stated that this association now has the largest membership in the state outside of the State Historical Association itself.

Visitors who were given an opportunity to tell about their observations and experiences of pioneer days were extremely interesting.

Cliff Martin recalled the booming coal mining days at Riverton when coal was shipped to San Francisco. He also told of his and his partner catching 624 salmon in one night. In those days salmon sold at 12 cents and 25 cents apiece for silverside and chinook respectively.

Mrs. Teeters presented some pioneer history and told about the Fairview school as being the first to start compiling old records of the Brewster Trail.

Henry Schroeder said that his grandfather, who was a cobbler in Baltimore, Maryland, took all his

shoes with him to Port Orford. Shoes were shipped in hogsheads and came all the way around Cape Horn in those days.

In the routine of business, Emil Peterson reviewed his system of accumulating and preserving priceless historical data and the work that had been accomplished.

J. E. Norton said that he has started to enroll a group of families to be known as sponsors of the association's history. By contributing \$100.00 each they will be entitled to life membership. When the limit of this group is attained they will organize and start another group, and so on. J. Arthur Berg and J. H. McCloskey have responded thus far.

In response to many inquiries the curator, Mary Randleman, wished to state that the museum will be open to the public every Saturday from 1:00 to 3:00 p. m. She also requested that each member donate a relic.

Mrs. A. E. Volck extended an invitation to the members to meet at Langlois on June 12, their next regular session.

### At Fairview

#### "Basic Landscaping" Meeting Topic

The Fairview Home Extension Unit held its monthly meeting Friday, May 7th. The project was on "Basic Landscaping."

Attending this meeting were five members of the McKinley unit, Mrs. Evalyn Ziegler, Mrs. Lee Mast, Mrs. Grace Hudson, Mrs. Emma King and Mrs. Carol Hall. Mrs. Ziegler acted as installing officer for the Fairview unit and Mrs. Frye installed the officers for the McKinley unit.

The officers installed for the Fairview unit were Mrs. Roxie Frye, chairman; Mrs. Evalyn Stock, vice chairman; Mrs. Lucille Ewing, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Lottie Fanno, librarian. The officers installed for the McKinley unit were Mrs. Evalyn Ziegler, chairman; Mrs. Idell Merritt, vice chairman; Mrs. Carol Hall, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Emma King, librarian.

The officers were given very lovely corsages made by Mrs. Albert Thommen.

The business meeting was held in the morning and a nice potluck luncheon was served at noon.

In the afternoon, Mr. Jack Hansell, assistant county agent, gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on "Basic Landscaping." He pointed out the basic rules and plans to follow when landscaping.

A footstool made by the members at a former meeting was given to Raymond Norris. This is a very lovely footstool of which the unit is quite proud.

The ladies present at this meeting

were Mrs. Albert Thommen, Mrs. Fred Stock, Mrs. Jim Hollenbeck, Mrs. Percy Nickolson, Mrs. Charles Geitner, Mrs. Alice Saylor, Mrs. Raymond Norris, Mrs. Ivyle Frye, Mrs. William Fanno, Mrs. Jess Ewing, Mrs. Quivey and Barbara, Mrs. Russell Stillwell and Mrs. Melvin Kenyon.

All ladies of the community are invited to attend these meetings.

Mrs. Leah Norris was presented with two lovely tea towels.

### Exams Slated For U. S. Academies

Congressman Harris Ellsworth announced today that preliminary qualifying examinations for vacancies at both the U. S. Naval and the U. S. Military Academies will be conducted by the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Monday, June 12, 1948, at the Post Office Buildings in Albany, Coos Bay, Eugene, Grants Pass, Medford, Roseburg, and Reedsport.

Candidates for admission must never have been married, and must be bonafide residents of the Fourth District. As of the date of entrance into the Academies, July 1, 1949, appointees for the Naval Academy and Military Academy must be 17 years of age. The maximum ages are 21 and 22 respectively except in the case of ex-servicemen who may be two

years older. Servicemen within the proper age limits may compete and will be given the examination by their commanding officers.

The examination will be about 3 1/2 hours in length and confined to vocabulary and reading, spatial relations, and algebra. Nominations will be on the basis of grades earned in the examination.

Candidates desiring to compete should notify Congressman Harris Ellsworth, House Office Bldg., Washington, D. C., not later than June 1st, indicating their choice of place for examination, legal residence, and date of birth.

### San Born To Forrests

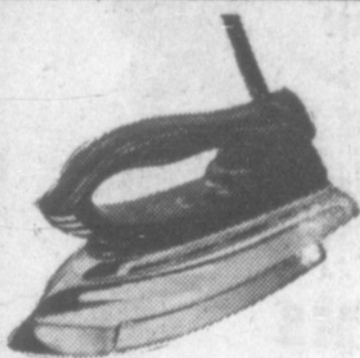
An infant son, weighing six pounds, 15 ounces, was born at Mast Hospital, Myrtle Point, to Mr. and Mrs. George Forrest of Coquille on Monday morning, May 10.

### Powers Land Goes On Sale

The Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation Office at 610 Main Avenue, Spokane, Washington, is offering for sale 1040 acres of government surplus land, located about four miles southeast of Powers, Oregon. This tract is being advertised today under certain priorities and in accordance with regulations of the Surplus Property Act. Government Agencies, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for Resale to Small Business, and State and Local Governments have first priority for a ten-day period. The former owners whose priority, if exercised, is superior to that of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for Resale to Small Business, must purchase within the 90-day priority period following May 13th.

Portions of the tract have been previously logged and parts have been burned over but there is said to be something over two million feet of fir timber still standing. Veterans of World War II may establish their priority by filing a statement prior to August 11, 1948, with the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation at its Spokane address that they are interested in acquiring the tract. If not sold to a higher priority holder, Veterans who have so filed will be advised the special price at which they may acquire the tract under their priority. Should more than one Veteran bid, the selection will be by lot. To qualify, Veterans must certify that the land is needed to help them establish or continue their own small business of logging or sawmill operations.

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