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Enjoy the 4th and Celebrate

One of the nice things about the Coquille 4th of July celebrations is the fact that you can stay home, be perfectly safe, not get too tired (unless you work in a hot dog or hamburger booth) and celebrate the 4th of July.

It's all for a good cause too . . . the funds made from the Coquille celebration go towards the Coquille Community building.

So we recommend a full participation. This year the 4th of July will need your help. Do your part. And keep the Community building functioning as the greatest city center in the state.

A G.O.P. Victory In November

The electric feeling across the country in the people of the land was one of elation when the final word came that Governor Thomas E. Dewey and Governor Earl Warren will lead the Republican lists in the coming fall election.

Beyond any doubt these two dynamic, capable and sincere governors will bring victory to the Republican party.

And equally beyond doubt, these two men will give confidence to a faltering, bewildered America.

We were frankly surprised here in Coquille to hear and feel the expressions of our people when the convention results were announced. There was a big sigh of relief that no dark horse of a Harding caliber had been named. People in Coquille saw and talked with Dewey—they liked him. People here know of Governor Warren's excellent record in California—they respect him.

After a Democratic regime that lasted from 1932 to Jan. 1949, the people want a change. More than that they want a leadership that will be frank, decisive, and business-like.

They want a stopping of petty bickering and bleating. They want action, determined and well-planned. And in the leadership of the Dewey-Warren ticket they expect it, and feel they will not be betrayed.

Governor Tom Dewey undoubtedly made history when he won the nomination (for the second time too, he was your 1944 candidate) without making any "deal" with any group. He is unfettered, and he can be a good president.

With a partnership of the East Coast and the West Coast we can see only good for the entire nation.

The United States on the verge of darkness reached a moment of democratic greatness when the Republican convention of 1948 was concluded.

It proved to us that our system is still the best, and every rule has its nadir as well as its zenith.

The good and succinct Coos Bay Harbor seconded the Sentinel's advocating of making the Coquille-Coos Bay highway 101 into an archaic historical exhibit of a winding pastoral roadway, and going on record asking the highway commission to so designate it. Support from other papers throughout the state indicates that Oregon might well be proud to have a lot of so marked roads that tourists could travel on slowly, leisurely and appreciatively. They would really have a lot to talk about when they get home to their states with fine modern speedways. And we wouldn't have to worry about when the new highway was coming.

Decorated "bike" parades in the Willamette valley are said to have drawn many people to towns on Saturdays when those cities held similar "special" days such as Coquille's opportunity days. Some towns have held "farmer's days" when every merchant wore levis and a straw hat, and the farmers came to town in their Buicks and Packards, and enjoyed the sight. Other towns have held pet parades and draw many children from the country with their pets. Other towns have held 4-H recognition days on the Saturday special day and said it was good. A little bit extra to such "sales" days does much to add to the spirit of the day. And why not?

Former City Recorder Frank Leslie is back in town after a month's visit to other parts of the land, and it is a tribute to Coquille that this resident of 36 years (he came here in 1912) finds Coquille the spot where his heart is. He is now free to live elsewhere, but there's no place like Coquille to Mr. Leslie.

Little credit went to Gene Norton when he worked hard for the Chamber of Commerce. In a visit with several old-timers last week, we were astounded at the amount of time Mr. Norton paid to civic business without reward or without personal acclaim. Such old-time citizens had much to do with Coquille's present expansion.

Signs on the Myrtle Lane highway between Coquille and Myrtle Point are no asset, and certainly no credit to the Myrtle Point firms who brazenly disturb the beauty of the pristine myrtles. Coos county had a chance to have a real tourist scenic attraction. The state highway department's park commission put a crew on the work of clearing and beautifying the roadway. The trees grew well. Tourists now not only see beauty, but they also read the verbosity of mortals in search of another dime. Such is American, 1948.

Overstock headaches are hitting some stores in the U. S. Prices may be slashed on some items. Reason: pipeline filling up from store counters to factory. This is true in only a handful of things at this date, however.

If the National Guard were out after recruits today in Coquille it would be a snap to fill the quota of 24. Portland, McMinnville, and the other towns with guard unit find lots of employed young men busy signing up.

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PARAGRAPHS OF THE PAST

From The Sentinel Files of 20 Years Ago

(Taken from The Sentinel of June 29, 1928.)

W. L. Powers, head of the soils and drainage department at O. A. C., expects to return to Coquille in the fall and spend some time making a complete survey of the Coquille river, determine its annual flow, and ascertain whether the winter's floods can be controlled and the hundreds of acres in the valley released from their annual inundation.

While here he also looked over the proposal to channel or tunnel the Beaver Slough and of Isthmus Inlet, to allow a more rapid run-off from the valley by diverting the waters into Coos Bay.

Rate on post cards in the mail, effective July 1, will be one-cent, a reduction from two cents, according to

the latest postal regulations received by Postmaster H. C. Getz.

With a \$20,000 or more bond issue confronting the city, the council decided this week to postpone until next Monday a decision as to what bridge funds will be asked for. Henry street bridge, Knowlton Heights bridge, First street bridge and Spurgeon Hill bridge are all in need of funds to pay for repairs to them.

The Chamber of Commerce has received some replies from creameries and cheese factories in answer to their inquiries as to the prices paid for butterfat this year. Swift & Co. here paid 52 cents for May for cheese milk, 47 cents for sweet cream and 44 cents for sour cream. Humboldt county, Calif., creameries paid 46 1/2 cents for butterfat. The Arago cheese factory paid as follows for cheese butterfat: Jan., 60c; Feb., 60c; March, 59c; April, 55; May, 52c. The Broad-bent cheese factory payments were for cheese: Jan., 60c; Feb., 60c; March, 58c; April, 55c.

Besides the two tennis courts, the swings and playground equipment, there are now three horseshoe courts in Myrtle Park where games and tournaments will be held this summer. S. M. Nessler, champion shoe tosser of Coquille, set the iron pegs in concrete and then covered the concrete with sand, Tuesday.

If the people of Coquille desire not to be bothered with itinerant peddlers, solicitors and grafters, there is one sure way to get rid of them quickly. Ask them to show a card issued by the Chamber of Commerce solicitation committee, of which C. W. Gardiner is chairman.

Ray Jeub and Clarence C. Williams were initiated into the Lions International at their weekly dinner meeting at the hotel yesterday. The traf-

fic officer swore to arrest every Lion on any pretext whatever, henceforth.

the wet moss-covered roof and fell against the chimney.

Tuesday morning Fred Wimer noticed smoke coming from the roof of the J. W. Dugger home, between the O. S. Sanford place and Mrs. Allen McLeod's rooming house. He and Dewey Walker and Frank Schram took the chemical wagon, without turning in an alarm, and soon had the fire out. Fred received quite a burn on his arm when he slipped on

Miss Jerene Low was the first one to entertain the members of a club called "Our Gang," recently organized. The members present were Jean Pierce, Gloria Getz, Wanda Houdysheil, Mildred Chapin, Catherine Pook, Virginia Lefevre, Alice Fish, Jean Young and Eleanor Folsom.



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