

# Coquille Valley Sentinel

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## Funds Pledged By Coquille Folk For Pioneer Book

Coquille Valley pioneer residents have challenged the rest of Coos and Curry counties to match their \$1500.00 pledge toward the publishing of a complete pioneer history of this area. This was the gauntlet thrown down to the regular meeting of the Coos-Curry Pioneer and Historical Association by J. E. Norton of Coquille who said the Coquille Valley residents were anxious to see the project of the association under the direction of Emil Peterson of North Bend continued.

After the information is compiled, a professional writer will be hired to complete the job, it is understood.

Mayor Ray Jeub of Coquille welcomed the crowd of nearly 100 people to the meeting and said that he was happy and proud to live in a county where the men and women unite to put over such a project as the history of the area in book form.

A feature of the program was an address by Wallace Dement, Myrtle Point attorney, and native Coos countian, who said many of the human neighborliness values of the pioneer period had been lost today when the state is expected to do everything for the individual.

Dement told of early trips to Roseburg by his grandfather who walked over the mountains to con-

duct his business in that city. He also told of the delivery of a herd of cattle to Coos county from Boise, Idaho by walking with the cattle all the way. The hardships of the early days were related by Dement when he also told of the early schools with no heated school buses, and said that many prominent people arose from those schools.

Nine past presidents were introduced and they spoke to the crowd. They included: S. M. Nosler, W. H. Schroeder, J. D. Clinton, J. E. Norton, Walter Laird, Mrs. Mary Randleman, A. H. Bender, J. P. Beyers, and J. Albert Matson.

The group also stood in silent prayer for Elmore Drane, Jonathan Quick, and Charles Stauff.

Also introduced on the program were W. H. Schroeder, James Clinkenbeard, A. T. Morrison, Mrs. Mary Randleman, John Feisher, Mrs. Marietta Morse, and Mrs. Miranda Way, all over 80 years of age.

On the entertainment program were Mrs. M. O. Hawks, piano; Mrs. J. P. Beyers, music conducting; and old time dance music by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laird.

A committee of Edgar McDaniel and J. Albert Matson were named to arrange for a Coos Bay meeting of the pioneers in March on Coos Bay.

**Spend Week-End In Roseburg**—Mr. and Mrs. Lon Clark and daughter, Betty, and Diane Jackson spent the week-end in Roseburg where they visited Mrs. Clark's parents. They attended and Oakland on Friday and Saturday evening.

## LEGISLATIVE ROUND-UP

By RALPH WATSON  
Veteran Political Commentator

The present Legislature has a bunch of Freshman members on its roster who are sticking their necks into the collar and pulling their share of the load right along with the veteran wheelhorses of the session. To name a few, Representatives Baum of Union, Erwin of Wallawa, Geddes of Douglas, Hounsell of Hood River, McCulloch of Baker, Sell of Wasco, Short of Deschutes-Lake, Wilson of Malheur, Senators Hardie of Condon, Hitchcock of Klamath, McAllister of Jackson, Smith of Ontario, and Mrs. Wilcox of Josephine. Taking them altogether they form a sound foundation for the session of 1951.

The biennial race between the Greyhounds and the race horses has started. The horsemen want to up the "take" paid from 12 1/2 per cent to 15 per cent. The increase would give the operator 60 per cent of the increase and the State 40. They also want to change the agreement they made with the Greyhound operators two years ago which gave each 60 days of racing, instead of 40 days for the horses and 60 for the Greyhounds. Too, they want to have it so the Greyhound and horse racing can be on the same tracks.

The Greyhounds want to be left alone as provided by the present law. They point out that in the 16 years since the Oregon Racing Commission was set up, the state has received a total of \$4,034,992 in revenue from both Greyhound and horse racing combined. Of this the Greyhounds have contributed \$3,368,838 or more than 83 per cent of the whole. The horses have provided a total of \$664,275 from running races and \$11,358 from harness races, approximately 17 per cent of the total.

These revenues have been apportioned \$733,144 to the State Fair; \$19,068 to the Northwest Turkey Show; \$10,000 each to the Mid-Columbia Livestock Show and Klamath Basin Roundup; \$5,000 each to the Spring Lamb and Poultry Show; \$4,800 to the Pacific Coast Turkey Exhibit, and \$1,178,709 equally divided among the 36 county fairs of the state for encouragement of 4-H and Junior Farmer programs and prizes.

The house committee on Education, in H. B. 242, authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction "to accept donated commodities and distribute the same" to public or private non-profit schools at cost to be used in school lunches. That might show the way to get rid of all this surplus wheat, spuds and what not the federal government is worrying about.

Senate Bill 135, by committee on municipal affairs gives any incorporated city or town the power to establish "offstreet" parking districts for public use. Power is given, through the sale of bonds, to buy property, or buildings, and if necessary, to build underground parking facilities, the same as has been done in San Francisco and other large congested cities.

Under the provisions of House Bill 172, which now is in the Senate, anyone who has an electric clock which has gone haywire, can take it to the electric appliance store and have it fixed. Two years ago the legislature fixed it so that no one except a licensed clerk maker or repair man could tinker with an electric clock. You could

take anything from a washing machine to radio wherever you wanted to have it repaired; but when your clock got gummy it took a clockmaker to pour coal oil through it if you wanted to be within the law.

Once more the state is to go through a campaign to abolish capital punishment in Oregon, provided Senate Joint Resolution 8, introduced by the committee on state affairs gets by the majority of the senate and the house. The resolution, which would amend section 37, article 1, of the state constitution, would make life imprisonment the maximum penalty, and repeals the present provision which gives the jury power of recommending life or death in its discretion.

**Rural Mail carriers are cut off the free list, so far as gasoline taxes are concerned by Senate Bill 140, introduced by the committee on roads and highways. If the bill passes the rural mail men will have to pungle up their share of the tax just like other folks.**

Peeping Toms are to have the heat turned on them if they are caught peeping through the windows of any place from the mansion on the hill to the lowly trailer house parked by the side of the road, according to House Bill 263, by the revision of laws committee. The punishment is a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000. A county jail sentence of not less than three months nor more than one year or both.

## At Powers Costume Party Attracts Interest

Despite the inclemency of the weather, many and varied were the attires which arrived at the Rebekah hall on Wednesday Feb. 2 to participate in the costume party held by the Powers Woman's club.

Attracting a great deal of attention was the costume of Mrs. Mearl Poland, who was dressed in her grandmother's Dunkard costume of 50 years ago. Yes, the Army, navy and the marines were there; Mrs. Lloyd White dressed in her husband's army suit, Mrs. Allen Rolfe as the marine, and Mrs. Rancy Hall, the sailor.

Mrs. James Cook very ably carried out the Mexican idea, in Mex-

ican attire. Mrs. Vera McMahon was the Queen of Hearts, and Mrs. Mabel Thorp and Mrs. Ida Matthews were Valentines. Mrs. Sadie Richards looked real quaint in a costume of 50 years ago with a poke bonnet and lace fishie and jewelry to harmonize. Hazel Lewis represented a salesman, while Mrs. Helen Gamwell was dressed in a colonial costume.

The club decided to entertain the Gaylor club on Wednesday, March 23. Mrs. Clare Briggs program chairman, presented Mrs. James Gamwell, who spoke on the origin of the Valentine, and for roll call the members responded with a fact about some of the presidents.

Mrs. James Cook and Mrs. Goldie Quilthigh were hostess for refreshments.

## Free Lecture on Christian Science

SUBJECT:

"Christian Science: The Religion of Joyous Attainment"

LECTURER:

Earl McCloud, C. S. B. of San Antonio, Texas. Member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

TIME: Tuesday Evening, February 22, 1949, at 8:00 P. M.

PLACE: Church Edifice 730 Central Avenue, Coos Bay First Church of Christ, Scientist, Coos Bay, Oregon. Cordially Invites You and your Friends

## Dairy Club Meets

A meeting of the McKin-Lee 4-H dairy club held its meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Howard at McKinley the last week in January with all members present. Three new members were taken into membership,

being Carol Sell, Joe Sell and Sidney Ormandy.

Five visitors at the club meeting were Mrs. Virgil Todd, Mrs. Jacoby, Mrs. Sell and Frank and Ellen Howard.

Next meeting of the club is Feb. 25th at the home of Mrs. Jacoby at Lee.



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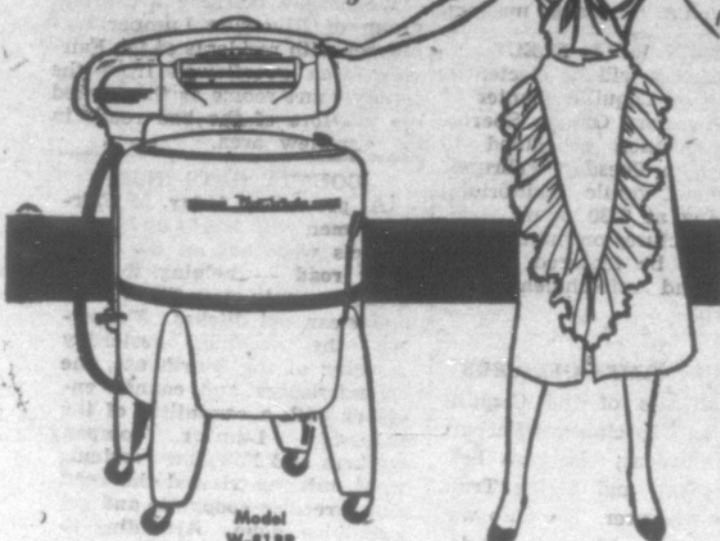
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