

Sentinel

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Rackleff Pharmacy To Take Location In Laird Building

News that will please his friends and well-wishers was announced today by David Rackleff who said that he had leased the store space in the Laird building until recently occupied by the Ideal Bakery for the Rackleff Pharmacy.

Plans for the drug store call for complete remodeling and the installation of a modern front similar to that of the Coquille Electric which is adjacent to the new pharmacy location.

The Laird building is partially owned by O. H. Haga of the Coquille Electric.

Boost National 4-H Scholarship Awards

College scholarship awards have been increased from \$200 to \$300 in nineteen national 4-H programs, the National 4-H Committee has announced. One hundred twelve members having highest rating records in their projects will receive \$300 scholarship awards totaling \$33,600 at the 1949 National 4-H Club congress in Chicago next November.

Programs in which the increased scholarship awards are offered, and donors, are: National Achievement, National Committee on Boys and Girls Club work; Better Methods Electric, Westinghouse Educational Foundation; Canning, Kerr Glass; Clothing, Spool Cotton Educational Bureau; Dairy Production, Kraft Foods; Farm Safety, General Motors; Field Crops and Frozen Foods, International Harvester; Food Preparation, Servel; Forestry, American Forest Products Industries; Garden, Allis-Chalmers; Girls' Record, Montgomery Ward; Home Improvement, Sears - Roebuck Foundation; Knitting-Crocheting, Spinnerin Yarn; Leadership, Edward F. Wilson; Meat-Animal, Thos. E. Wilson; Poultry, Dearborn Motors; Soil Conservation, Firestone, and Tractor Maintenance.

All of these national 4-H awards programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

For thirsty sports fans, a 10-gallon stainless steel soft drink dispenser has been introduced in Chicago.

Dairy Official Coming This Week

Representing a dairy industry-sponsored program which promotes the consumption of milk and dairy products for better health, Miss Beryl Scothorn, nutritionist with the Oregon Dairy Council, will be in Coquille Thursday and Friday, March 10 and 11, to confer with school and county officials on their health education programs.

Miss Scothorn will confer with the following persons: Dr. Eleanor Gutman, county health officer; Mrs. Martha Purdy, county school superintendent; George Jenkins, county agent; Mrs. Ella S. Winkels, home demonstration agent; Mrs. Lela Elrod, city school nurse, and John Beeson, 4-H club agent.

Flower Lakes Are Beautiful, Travelers Say

BY BILL FORTIER

One could spend several weeks and still see things of interest but of course there are a few "must" places to see. Xochimilco (The Floating Gardens) is best seen on a Sunday when all the flower girls are out in their boats loaded down with beautiful bunches of flowers.

Years ago when most of the land where Mexico City now stands was a lake, certain tribes built rafts out in the water, taking all their possessions with them, in order to escape other warring tribes. After many years the rafts took root and small islands became firmly established, and now today Xochimilco is 48 square miles of narrow channels winding around islands covered with flowers and vegetable gardens. After one sees the vegetables being washed in the canal where all drainage eventually goes, it is no wonder that we are advised to eat no uncooked vegetables during our stay. We're sure that no one would want to.

For a very small sum we rented a boat gaily decorated with fresh flowers complete with Mexican boy to paddle us around. Other boats filled with musicians entertained us—for a few more pesos, of course.

The Palace of Fine Arts, The National Palace, Cathedral, Chapultepec Castle, the Zocalo and the markets are places to see in

the City. The Palace of Fine Arts building is gradually sinking. At one time one had to walk up steps to this marble building, but now it is sunken so much one walks down the stairs. Engineers from all over the world have studied this problem, and huge bronze statues weighing several tons have been removed from the outside of the building, relieving some of the weight.

The beauty of this building is unbelievable — made entirely of different marbles. Operas are held here during the opera season, and it houses countless treasures in fine old paintings. We were especially fortunate in seeing the "glass curtain" which is shown to the public only at rare intervals. This is the only curtain of its kind in the world and was years in the making. All mosaic work, it portrays the mountains of The Sleeping Lady and Popo during night with special lighting used to bring out the effect of sunrise and the break of day.

No trip is quite complete without an overnight trip to Taxco, one of the quaintest little towns that anyone could ever hope to see. It is built on the side of a mountain, with silver mines all around. There is a beautiful old church, 222 years old, in the middle of the town and we were told that the ground underneath is very rich in silver ore, but it would never be mined on account of disturbing the foundations of the church. One of the narrow cobblestone streets run underneath a portion of this same church.

All the streets are cobblestone and barely wide enough for a car, with no room to pass except at a very few intersections and the at the town square. Silver shops are abundant and pack trains of loaded donkeys are a familiar sight.

Cuernavaca is another beautiful city on the highway to the

coast. Dwight Morrow had a summer home in this city, and it is a popular summer resort for people living in Mexico City. The altitude is considerably lower and the climate ideal. Cuernavaca is also the home of the famous Bordo Gardens, which was the summer palace of Maximilian and Carlotta. Mr. Jones who is president of Wells-Fargo company now owns this estate.

After leaving Taxco we began dropping down from the mountains into more tropical country again, and finally to Acapulco, a fair sized city on the west coast. The heat was very oppressive, coming from a higher altitude, but to those who love water, the long tiresome drive was worth it. The water is lukewarm and a beautiful shade of blue-green.

There are plenty of hotels and motels, with the really swank Hotel Reforma high on a hilltop overlooking the bay and the ocean. One can rent boats for plenty of marlin and sword-fish not too far out, so they told us.

Some of the oldest signs of civilization in the Western Hemisphere are to be found in the Valley of Mexico. About twenty miles out of the city are the pyramids and remains of a lost race. These ruins of an ancient city and people have been excavated from beneath a lava bed, and very little is known about them except that this ancient race was totally destroyed by a lava flow. Only a few years ago in downtown Mexico City when excavating for a new building, ruins of an ancient building, carvings covered. This block has been an crude stoe utensils were unfenced off and further research and excavation has been carried on in an effort to piece out the history of this lost civilization.

TO BE CONCLUDED
NEXT WEEK

Hunsaker Enjoys School Conference

Home from the convention of the American Association of School Administrators, Supt. Ray Hunsaker of Coquille reported, a fine meeting with many seminars well worth hearing and taking part in.

The subjects coming up at the conference included teachers' salaries and retirement, federal school assistance, education for democracy, and general welfare and race problems, and also modern school building.

Some of the new building designs shown were similar to the new Creston school building in Portland at 50th and Powell.

VISIT AT SWEET HOME

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Anderson of McKinley Rt. spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Al Stone of Sweet Home.

Visits in Eugene—Mrs. Julius Rube visited in Eugene for several days last week with her daughter who is attending the University of Oregon.

COUNTY FOREST GETS PLANTING

Coos 4-H Clubs Help In Planting Trees On Beaver Hill County Forest Lands

BY JAMES MOOREHEAD
County Forester

During the past two years several 4-H Forestry clubs have been cooperating in a vitally needed program of reforestation on the Beaver Hill county forest. The Eastside 4-H Forestry club has planted trees for two years, and the Valley View, Summer and North Bend Forestry clubs have each planted trees for one year in the area. The plantation area is on top of a ridge and has been repeatedly burned over ever since the original stand of timber was removed, therefore there are no seed trees, remaining to reseed the area naturally, and hand planting has become necessary.

The 4-H clubs are planting Port Orford cedar, Sitka spruce, and Douglas fir and, while the area being planted is small when compared to the actual denuded area, the planted trees will grow into a seed block and throw seed to regenerate the surrounding area with a stand of timber equal to or surpassing the original forest. The survival percentage runs

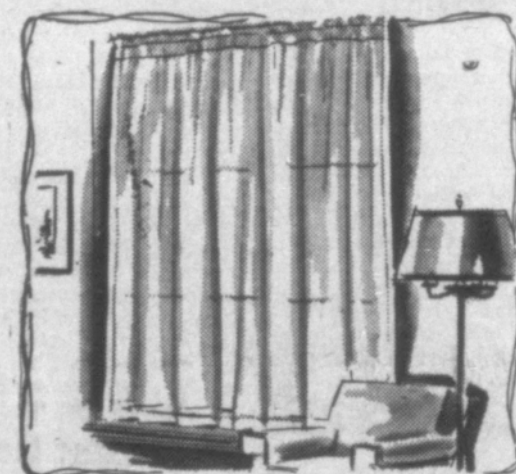
from 75-95 per cent on these plantations and reflects the extreme care taken by the 4-H foresters in their tree planting program. They are to be commended for their interest in such a long range program and it is hoped that their example will be followed in years to come so that the county forest will become a productive enterprise and a benefit and credit to the people of Coos county.

Returns From Portland—Mrs. W. G. Mehl returned recently after spending six weeks in Portland visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Paden, the former Gretchen Mehl. While Mrs. Mehl was in Portland a baby son, Richard William was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paden.

Here For Week-End—Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hopkins of Eugene and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Blakely of Sutherlin spent the week-end in Coquille visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bosserman. They attended the Rotary dinner-dance on Saturday evening.

BACK AGAIN - OUR OLD FASHIONED BARGAIN BEE!

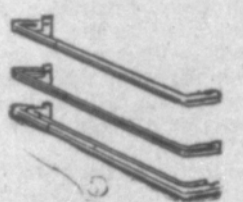
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