COOS COUNTY PEOPLE GET $242,000 PRESENT

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The $242,000 electric rate reduction for Coos County customers of Pacific Power and Light company, announced Wednesday by the Oregon Public Utilities Commissioner, will mean a cut of about 11% in the Company's revenue in this area, according to W. J. B. Head, local manager.

Annual savings to residential customers are estimated at $118,-0000 a year, he said. Commercial customers will save about $58,000 and industrial customers $62,000. Government and municipal accounts will save about $4,000.

The rate change here, under study since Mountain States Power was merged into the Pacific Company last year, will put rates in all Oregon Coast communities served by the Company on a uniform basis.

The new rates are to be effective with meter readings made on and after April 22, which is the beginning of a monthly billing cycle.

Savings to individual customers will vary according to use of service, Head said, and in any case where a customer in a particular use bracket may find it advantageous to remain on the present rate, he will have the option of doing so.

Simplification of the residential rate by providing for single meter service for all residential uses, including water heating, is one of the features of the new rate.

The form of the new rate is designed to encourage increased use of electric service, according to Head.

City Water Bond Election Set For Friday, May 13th

Friday May 13th was set as the date of an election for the city of Coquille in which $250,000 of water bonds will be up for approval by the voters of the city.

The city council went on record Monday night to put the issue before the people upon recommendations of Dr. Peter Wolfe, chairman of the water committee of the council.

The money requested is part of a three-stage program set up for the modernization of the city of Coquille water system.

At the council meeting the subject of enforcement of the two-hour parking ordinance on metered streets came up again and a minor clast occurred between Mayor George Burr and several councilmen.

The city police department reported they felt the situation was well in hand now and that overtime parkers were at a minimum in the city.

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Christian Science Lecture Set For Friday Evening In Coquille Community Building

A free lecture on Christian Science, "Christian Science: The Word of God Applied to Our Human Needs" will be given Friday evening, April 22 at 8 p.m. in the Coquille Community Building.

Lecturer is Peter B. Biggins, C. S. B. of Seattle, Washington who is being presented here under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Coquille.

Senator George Ulett Advances Two Major Pieces Of Legislation

SALEM, APRIL 20—(Special to The Sentinel)—Republican Senator George Ulett of Coos and Curry counties has been active in the advancement of two pieces of major labor legislation that will pass milestones at the Oregon state house this week.

Governor Paul Patterson announced Monday that he would sign, in a matter of hours, H. B. 555—the measure to restore full monthly payments to 1471 totally and permanently disabled persons and the widows of such persons, all of whom have been receiving benefits under a special industrial accident program first enacted in 1949.

Republican Representative Gust Anderson of Portland, chairman of the House Labor and Industrial committee, has been the chief architect of this legislation. It had to be renewed by each legislature since 1949 but struck a snag in March of this year when an attorney-general's opinion held that payments could not be drawn from the surplus fund on which the special program depended.

Sound and permanent substitute legislation was pushed through the House by Anderson and through the Senate by Ulett who is chairman of the Senate Labor and Industries committee. It provides for an increase from 1 cent to 2 cents per day in workmen's industrial accident contributions and the impounding of this revenue, amounting to $735,000 a year, in a retroactive relief fund for the 1471 beneficiaries.

Ulett and Anderson explained that the legislation, retroactive to March 1, 1955, would restore monthly payments for married couples under the program to the original $70 and for single persons to $60.

Anderson announced Tuesday that his House committee would hold a hearing this week on the omnibus unemployment compensation bill passed by the Senate last week. Ulett who led the Senate floor campaign for the legislation, said it represented most of the best features of the 12 unemployment compensation bills considered by his committee. It would increase maximum weekly benefits from $25 to $35, extend coverage to establishments employing from one to three persons, tighten eligibility requirements and raise employers contributions. The Senate committee held 23 meetings and hearings while considering the legislation, now in Anderson's committee in the House.

QUEEN AND HER COURT—Queen-elect Florence Pierson, standing, studies a style book for the formal attire at the annual Woman's Club May Day program on Saturday night, April 30th. From left to right, seated, are Lorene Lynn, Verna Liles, Nadine Molthu, Judith Milne, Virginia Cox and Sharon Sapp. (Sentinel Photo)

Schools Ask $408,855.44 TO Be Voted On May 12th

A total tax levy for operation of Coquille School District 8-C of $408,855.44 will be asked from the voters of the district at the special school budget election on Thursday, May 12th, 1955 from two to eight o'clock at the Washington School.

Of this sum, $173,454.33 is within the six per cent limitation; and $235,401.11 is without the six per cent legal bracket.

The budget for the ensuing school year as approved by the Coquille school budget committee with Tom Stevens, chairman, and Mrs. Rose Gulseth, secretary, shows total indebtedness of the district now stands at $391,113.48.

Total estimated receipts for the year amount to $254,480.00 which added to the tax levy shows the cost of operation of the Coquille school district next year standing at $611,144.51.

Superintendent's salary of the present $7,502.00 will go up to $8,386.84 for the coming year. This is the normal raise on the basis of the salary scale raise for each year of service to the district.

Principals' salaries will raise from $20,239.52 to $24,186.85.

Teachers' salaries plus added teachers to take care of the new students will go from this year's $230,167.00 to $271,550.00.

The school board during the past year has reduced a deficit of around $60,000 to less than $20,000 by tight operation and controls. The deficit was discovered when an audit was held a year ago.

Complete budget will be found on an inside page of today's Sentinel.

Coquille Grad Names New Union

Herbert Baker, 18-year old graduate of Coquille high school in 1954, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Laird of Myrtle Point, has been named winner of the name of the new combined CIO-AFL unions.

His winning name was "ACLO" and he gets a $25.00 war bond.

Full name is American Congress of Labor Organizations.

He hopes to attend the University of Oregon next fall and at present is employed in Weiner's store in Portland.

Soroptimists Give Dinner-Card Party For Coos Bay Club

Members of the Coos Bay Soroptimist club were entertained last night by the Coquille group at a dinner held at the Art Center. Cards were enjoyed later in the evening at the home of Wilda Schroeder.

During a brief business session, reports were given by Emma Pierce and Hattie Lee Holimon on the Northwest Regional Conference of Soroptimist clubs held last week at Seattle.

Identification Tags Due Citizens Coos Civilian Defense Head States

John J. Pickett, Civil Defense Director of Coos County, today announced plans for making Official Civil Defense Identification tags available to all children and adults in this community.

The Identification Tags are authorized by the Federal Civil Defense Administration and are an important safety measure for everyone, Mr. Pickett said, They provide quick identification which would be helpful in case of accident, sudden illness or any emergency, including air attacks.

Each tag is permanently stamped with the wearer's name plus the name and address of the person to be notified in an emergency. The wearer's birth date and religious preference also are stamped on the smooth metal tag which is carried on a non-tarnishable chain.

Through special arrangements, instructions for ordering Official Civil Defence Identification tags may be obtained at displays in many grocery stores soon.

Mr. Pickett also reported that Civil Defense has tried to put this project into effect for three years but has been blocked by lack of personnal and funds. Recently, however, FCDA secured the help of a large food manufacturer in distributing Official Identification Tags on a nation-wide, at-cost basis.

Coos Farm Bureau Commodity Heads Chosen Tuesday

Frank Rood, president of the Coos County Farm Bureau appointed commodity chairmen at a meeting Tuesday evening at the courthouse in Coquille.

The members voted to give acitve support to four bills aimed to stimulate wider interest and greater participation in school affairs. Senate Joint Resolution 23, now in the senate committee on elections and privileges requests re-installment of proprety ownership as one of the qualifications for persons voting on bond issues; SB 440 provides a systematic set-up for voting twice annually on bond issues and it is hoped that with definite dates provided each year wider general voting will result.

Bill SB 441 provides for a 60 per cent affirmative vote of those voting and SB 442 provides for at least 30 per cent of the registered voters to turn out and cast their ballots.

If You Were Missed In Census, Fill Out This Form; Turn In To City Recorder

If you happened to be missed—as one whole street apparently was—in the recent census of Coquille population, fill this form below out and turn in to the office of the City Recorder in Coquille.

Or if you care to, go to the City Hall and an employee will aid in filling out the form.

It is important to you as a taxpayer that all people residing in the city be listed in the official federal census just completed. It means more revenues from state taxes to the city and this in turn will mean lower property taxes for Coquille residents.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

MISSED PERSONS

IMPORTANT!

The U. S. Bureau of Census is completing its special census of Coquille. It is important that the census include all of the people who were living in this place on April 5, 1955, the official date of the census. If you were living here on this date and believe that you were not enumerated for the census, fill out the form presented below and mail it to the Census Supervisor.

MY ADDRESS ON APRIL 5, 1955 WAS: | APT. NO.

Name of each person whose usual place of residence was in this household on April 5, 1955. (Enter last name first)	Relationship of this person to the head of the household as head, wife, son, roomer, etc.	Sex	Color or Race	Age At Last Birthday

CUT OUT THIS FORM AND MAIL TO: Census Supervisor, City Hall, Coquille, Oregon.

NOTE: Please do not fill out unless you live within the corporate limits of the City of Coquille.

How Much Do You Spend?
Chamber Hears President's Report On Union "High Living Cost"

Charges made by local plywood union officials on the reputed "high cost of living" in Coquille were reported by Sig Peterson, president of the Chamber of Commerce to the group Tuesday noon. The union officials met last week with several members-directors of the chamber and showed their "high price" survey chart.

Mr. Peterson stated that in Coquille, people have the erroneous idea that there is a difference in comparable articles advertised at the same prices. "They have the basic mis-apprehension that they can buy such articles cheaper in Coos Bay and the thing we must do is to get the truth out. We will be best served by presenting it in a convincing manner so that the people can see and believe it."

He further expressed the opinion that there is no approach to the problem except through the special committee's making a survey. Glenn Jones, chamber director, is chairman of this committee.

In answering the question of what the chamber can do it there is some outrageous difference in the most of living here, Mr. Peterson said that they can either "go out for governmental controls with all that that entails or they can let the law of supply and demand take care of it."

Head Issues Warning

Duding the discussion that followed his report, Bill Head raised the question of whether the union officials have presented the high cost of living study preparatory to making demands for higher wages. He said that "if the committee comes up with any conclusions—if, for example, housing is higher, we will be in trouble. The Unions will go back to the employers and ask for increased wages comparable to the "high prices' . . we're leaving ourselves wide open."

Claude Mason expressed the opinion that some outside group should make the survey, not the committee. Mr. Jones reported that it had been suggested that he contact the University of Oregon for a team of economics students to make a comprehensive survey.

Mr. Mason also made the statement that it's "human nature, especially for women to want to go to a bigger place to buy as they think they're getting a better deal. Powers people come to Coquille; Coquille residents go to Coos Bay; Coos Bay buyer go to Eugene; and Eugene people go to Portland to shop."

After it is known how much money will be needed for the survey, funds will be allocated from the chamber treasury or a special fund set up.

Other business before the chamber members pertained to their membership in the Coos County Chamber of Commerce. Claude Mason said that he didn't feel it was fair to continue as "so-called" members of the Coos group unless the local chamber pays its membership dues. Mr. Peterson reported that the present chamber didn't inherit any committments of the old group "so we're still open to join or not to join the Coos Chamber."

The final decision will be made by the directors and members at a future chamber meeting.

This Week's First Classified Ad

FOR RENT — Sleeping room in private home. Call 1312 or 376 E. 8th. 15t3p

First paid classified advertisement to be brought into the Sentinel office Thursday morning will be re-printed in this space each week. Office opens at 8:30. Remember, Sentinel Want Ads always bring results!

Memorial Entered

Senator George Ulett and Reps. Chapman and McKenzie recently introduced a memorial to the U. S. Congress from the statee legislature asking for a construction program for the development of the mouth of the Chetco river in order that a small craft harbor can be built for public recreation and fishing, and also to serve as a haven for commercial fishing boats.

Colorful May Festival Plans Complete With Outstanding Entertainment Slated

Coquille's annual May Festival, scheduled for April 30 at the Community building, will be the most colorful and entertaining to date, according to Mrs. Wayne Jacobsen, chairman, who announced this week that plans for the festive event are near completion. Mrs. Jacobsen is president of the Women's club which sponsors the Festival.

May Queen Florence Pierson and members of the royal court will be entertained with dance numbers and musical selections by the 3rd grade at Lincoln Elementary; the 4th grade at Lincoln Junior High; and the 4th and 5th grade students at Washington Elementary. The Coquille high school band will also perform.

Highlight of the day's program will be the winding of the May Pole by the 4th and 5th graders from Washington Elementary. Mrs. John Heenan is directing the young dancers.

A dance will be held at 9:30 that evening with music by Bobby Champion and his Novelty Wranglers.

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Guy Mauney Buys Ted Foss Sporting

Purchase of the Ted Foss Sporting Goods Store was announced this week by Guy Mauney of Coquille, prominent lumberman and civic leader.

Mr. Mauney, who has served as chairman of the Coquille district school board, has been in the lumber business on Sandy Creek for the past 12 years. Prior to that he was principal of the North Bend High school.

Ted Foss, who was purchasing manager of the Coos Bay Lumber Company prior to opening the Ted Foss Sporting Goods Store eight years ago, has announced that he has no definite plans for the future, but will remain with Mr. Mauney for the next two or three weeks.

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Carl Meacham nearly cut off a thumb on his hand while cutting Kite sticks for some small boys on his table saw last week. The doctors sewed it back on, and Carl says feeling is beginning to come back so he hopes to have good use of it.

Snow Falls!

Snow has fallen several nights this past week in the higher hills of the Sitkum area, residents report.

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Pie Social Nets $125 At Sitkum

More than one hundred twenty-five dollars was cleared at a pie social on Saturday night to be donated to the committee sponsoring Hell's Canyon dam. The Myrtle Leaf club sponsored the pie social to which 24 pies were donated and enjoyed by more than one hundred people at the affair in the gym of Sitkum school.

Besides folks from Dora, McKinley and Myrtle Point, Mr. and Mrs. Alec Volck of Langlois were there. The Volck's spent Saturday night as guests of the Ivan Lairds.

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Karen Henninger Wins Purdue Trip

Karen Henninger, Coquille High school sophomore, was notified by telegram Tuesday that she has been selected as one of twenty-six Oregon Methodist young people to attend a summer session August 22-26 at Purdee University, Lafayette, Indiana.

She wrote an essay on why she would like to attend the National Methodist Young Peoples Conference at Purdue, which is held once every four years.

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Women To Attend Meeting At Albany

Mrs. Annie Fennell and Mrs. Julius Ruble of the Coquille Woman's club will attend the District 2 convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs April 26 at Albany.

During the business meeting, each delegate will report on the year's work of her respective club.

Cities represented in the district include Coquille, Bandon, Myrtle Point, Reedsport, North Bend, Coos Bay and Newport.