

EDITORIALS

Random Lengths

Mayor George F. Burr of Coquille is actually unpaid legislator to Salem. He enjoys going up and enjoys doing work for his constituents. What's more, the legislators—elected, that is—enjoy him and like to see him come. Throughout the state of Oregon there are only a few private citizens who regard Salem as a place where they can go to help make better laws by being on hand for consultation. Some wise man once wrote that in all states the private citizen should go to the legislature as do the elected delegates.

Again this week we have three "unsigned" letters to the Editor which we would like to run inasmuch as only one gives us the devil's due and two pay us nice compliments. But, our policy is, and we hope it remains, to publish only letters of people who are willing to have their names also appear in public.

Beachcombers—the modern variety—report that they found Japanese light bulbs on the beaches of Southwestern Oregon Sunday. Some glass floats also had worked up. Who was it who wrote: "When the tide is out, the table's set?" Light bulbs are not quite food, but they do add to the interest of living.

Jack Curtis, OTTO safety engineer, recently drove Vern Estelle's new big International with the full-power steering. He had some troubles with it and now reports that on second time out he drove it like a charm, which Jack ruefully admits: "Should have taken my own constant advice and had a brief training session before starting out on a brand-new rig." Jack is all for power steering.

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VETS MAIL BAG

As a service to veterans in the community, this newspaper will publish a weekly column of news briefs from the Veterans Administration. For further information, veterans should contact or write their nearest VA office

Korean GI Bill Students Near All-Time Record

Korean GI Bill enrollments at schools and colleges hit the 532-thousand mark for March, Veterans Administration reported. After a between-semester slump in January and February, the enrollments neared the all-time record of 538-thousand, set last December.

By the time that all reports from schools are in, VA predicts, this Spring should see the greatest number of veterans yet in training

under the Korean GI Bill. The biggest increase in enrollments, VA said, is accounted for at Colleges and Universities. These enrollments account for well over half of all Korean GI veterans using their GI training benefits.

Enrollments in schools below college level—trade schools, vocational and business schools and others of that type, saw a slight upturn last month.

Increases in on-the-job and in on-the-farm training, VA said, were very slight.

VA studies showed that veterans taking GI training to become teachers, this totaling about 25 per cent of all Korean GI Bill trainees, show an increasing awareness of the fact that their best prospects for jobs are in "specialized" education fields, rather than in general all-around classroom training.

The 25 per cent Korean GI trainees taking specialized training, VA said, indicates a substantial increase over World War II teacher training; when less than 20 per cent had such objectives.

One more hint from VA to veterans who plan to go to school overseas under the Korean GI Bill. They are reminded to be sure that VA has approved both the application and course of instruction before leaving the U.S., thus avoiding any possible disappointment in having schooling applications rejected for any reason.

Question of the Week:
Q. Is it possible to collect GI

Plight of dairyman: One dairyman tells us his taxes run \$30.00 per cow. Figure that one out and see why he works in town now.

School board members found out that cost of sites could be high. One place they looked at was given them at the price of over \$50,000.00 which just doesn't make building schools any easier.

Coquille Valley Art Association women who took on the big job of buying the old Valley View schoolhouse a couple of years ago put on a real dinner for the members of the Don Estes Photography class last week. The food was the best we've tasted yet, and the pies were out of this world. So Art in one line is also transferred to the Art of the Kitchen. Of that we're now happy knowing that while the women can paint beautiful pictures they can also cook beautiful food for their husbands.

Despite the feeling that there are too many hundred drives every year, rest assured that practically every one is vitally needed. We think now of the Cancer Drive which Chuck Adams is heading in Coquille. Last year more than 37,000 Oregonians viewed society-sponsored films in 946 showings throughout the state. More than 175,000 pieces of educational literature were shown. How many lives saved by the Oregon Chapter of the American Cancer Society? Perhaps hundreds. Give freely to this important drive. Mail your donation to Cancer, Postmaster, Coquille.

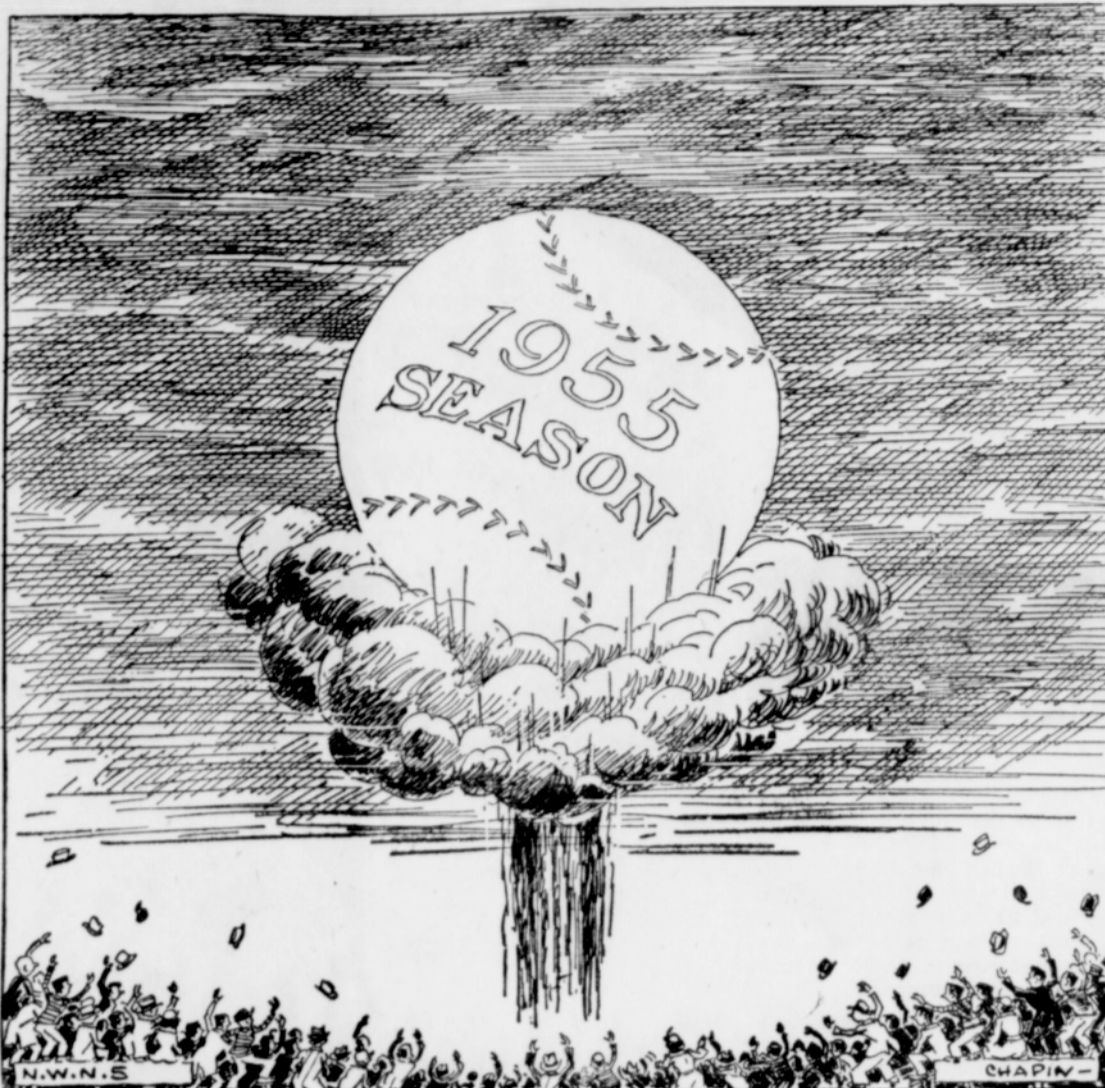
And on the subject of Drives, the Coquille Active Club is sponsoring the film, "The Bob Mathias Story", for benefit of Camp Easter Seal where Crippled Children of the state get a real outing and lots of fun including fishing for perch and catfish off the dock at the Camp on Tenmile Lake. The Activists are busy selling tickets, and will also get part of the gate receipts for their benefit showing. On the subject of "The Bob Mathias Story", it's one of the best movies we've seen, and certainly one for the entire family. Shows at the Liberty Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 26, 27 and 28.

Stella Cutlip, Coos County's busiest gal, is at it again. She's head of the Coos County Conservation Program, appointed by Gov. Paul Patterson.

Coos County roads—despite what lots of people think—are excellent. When you figure that Coos County Court has a job of taking care of roads that figure out about the same length and number as does the state of Vermont, you get an idea about the road-job in this county. Plans this year are for a great extension of graveling and hardtopping. It means that the Court and County Engineer Floyd Robb deserve a pat on the back, which being public officials they don't always get quite as many times as they might.

Coquille American Legion Post has stepped out with an active program of Americanization and aid to all. Recently they helped buy a second auxiliary motor for the infant respirator at the Mast Hospital—given by the Legion and Legion Auxiliaries of Coquille and Myrtle Point. Now they are conducting an essay contest for students. Such works as this do add to the prestige and the power of Veteran's groups.

THE BLAST THAT ROCKED A NATION



unemployment pay at the same time I am enrolled in school under the Korean GI Bill? Since I am in school, I am not working.

A. No, it is not possible, under the law, to obtain GI unemployment allowances while you are enrolled in training under the Korean GI Bill. Although you may not be working, you are drawing monthly GI training allowances from the Government.

ARTIANO MOVE HERE FROM HOME IN ENGLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Artiano and 6-year old daughter, Christine have moved to Coquille from their home at Aylesbury, England. Mr. Artiano is a diesel mechanic and is working for Howard-Cooper Corp. At the present time, the new residents are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Williams who were friends of theirs in England.

HEAR JUDGE LONG SPEAK

Juvenile probation officer James Leonard and deputy officer Gertrud Plambeck drove to Coos Bay Friday evening to hear Judge Donald Long of Portland speak on "What Is Being Done About Juvenile Problems" at a meeting of the AAUW. They were accompanied by Miss Carolyn Polly.



Q—Can you give me the origin of the term "Speaker" in the House of Representatives?

A—The word "Speaker" goes back to the 13th century in the House of Commons when one man was literally forced to become a "speaker" on behalf of the common people to the monarch, representing the body before the kings and queens of England.

Q—Has the Congress done anything about Sec. Benson's decrease of cotton acreage?

A—Yes, the House has passed a bill (H.R. 3952) which would increase cotton acreage by 3 per cent to provide each cotton farm a minimum of five acres, or the largest acreage grown in any one of the past three years. The bill is in the Senate Agriculture Committee.

Q—What is an act of nullification?

A—The state resorts to acts of nullification when it refuses to enforce an act of Congress. Some states practiced nullification when they failed or refused to enforce the 18th amendment. As far back as 1799 Virginia and Kentucky passed resolutions preventing enforcement of the alien and sedition laws. Some authorities call acts of nullification. Other authorities say this action by states is "recall of judicial decisions." Colorado has a recall procedure. President Theodore Roosevelt advocated recall of Supreme Court decisions in 1912 declaring the people should have right to express their opinions of Federal and state supreme court decisions.

Q—What official is next in line to the Attorney General in the Justice Department?

A—He is the solicitor general.

Mrs. Robert Aitken flew to San Francisco to spend Easter with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Foster.

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