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3150 THE YEAR.

IS OVER \$35,000

Coquille's Liberty Loan Subscriptions \$10,000 Above Amount First Asked.

Coquille has reason to be proud of the way her people responded to the government's request for subscriptions to the second Liberty Loan. Two weeks ago the Sentinel, in view of the call for three billion and the estimate of the bankers convention that our subscriptions should equal \$5 in every hundred of the resources of our city banks, suggested \$25,000 as the goal we should try to reach. When, however, it was decided at the eleventh hour to make it five billions instead of three, our people rose grandly to the occasion and contributed practically what they were asked to on that basis. The total of \$35,000 subscribed here is more than four times the amount of our subscription to the first loan and shows that the fires of patriotism burn no less brightly in the hearts of our people than in those of the rest of the country.

The number of individual subscriptions is also far in excess of what any one anticipated, and shows that this is in truth a popular loan.

There was no such organization for this drive as for the Red Cross subscription, in fact, no real drive until the Honor Guard Girls arranged for that street meeting Thursday night of last week. The response to that was magnificent. In fact, to have made our total as large as it was with so little concerted action speaks volumes as to the Americanism of our citizens, and their eagerness to aid our country and help preserve free government in the world.

Whatever Coquille may be, she is not a slacker.

The following is the list of those who subscribed for bonds last Friday evening and on Saturday after the publication of our last week's report:

The following are the subscriptions made through the First National Bank, Coquille, Oregon:

Brought forward from last week, \$31,550.

- Jack A. Leach, \$150.
- John P. Conlogue, \$200.
- Avis Hartson, \$50.
- Glo. W. Norris, \$50.
- Carl Gottlob Beck, \$100.
- Sarah McAdams, \$50.
- James A. Hatcifer, \$50.
- Marion T. Clinton, \$100.
- Mrs. Anna Jensen, \$100.
- Mrs. Mary A. Colbrook, \$100.
- Allan McLeod, \$50.
- Emma Kennedy, \$50.
- John L. Aasen, \$100.
- Francis Bertram Smith, \$50.
- Clifford D. Hudson, \$50.
- Raymond E. Baker, \$100.
- Elma M. Roberts, \$100.
- Robert J. Holverstott, \$100.
- Fay W. Holverstott, \$50.
- James E. Posey, \$50.
- Mrs. Mary Burns, \$50.
- Fay B. Bunnell, \$150.
- Jess W. Ice, \$50.
- Mrs. Francis Smith Elliott, \$50.
- Maxine Elliott, \$50.
- Archie O. Walker, \$200.
- Wodney Phillips, \$50.
- F. H. Woodruff, \$50.
- Walter A. Phelps, \$50.
- Thomas J. Curry, \$50.
- John T. Elide, \$100.
- Alpha Pederson, \$50.
- Alexander B. Roberts, \$50.
- Weiman Aubrey Ball, \$100.
- Ralph Longton, \$50.
- Joseph W. Carter, \$50.
- Romey Thomason, \$50.
- Elmer E. Olsen, \$50.
- Chas. Hurd, \$50.
- Hugh Thomas Finley, \$50.
- Curtis M. Andrews, \$50.
- Ludwig G. Knudson, \$50.
- Charley H. Dondono, \$50.
- Alfred F. Harrison, \$50.
- Geo. E. Stancelife, \$50.
- Allie G. Byers, \$50.
- Henry A. Miller, \$50.
- Ollis W. Phelps, \$50.
- Floyd M. Phelps, \$50.
- Tracy Audrey Leach, \$50.
- Edwin C. Finley, \$50.
- John Hall, \$100.
- Wm. F. Padgett Sr., \$50.
- James Arthur Young, \$50.
- Chas. Wilson, \$50.
- Louis A. Detwiler, \$50.
- Mary C. Barker, \$50.
- Alexander H. Lowe, \$50.
- Louis E. Alexander, \$50.
- Rufus W. Cotton, \$50.
- Geo. A. Mehl, \$50.
- Frank Burkholder, \$50.
- Calvin B. Young, \$50.
- Clyde A. Gage, \$50.
- Wm. B. Miller, \$100.

Frank McNair, \$100.
Samuel L. Bosman, \$100.
Ernest A. Coleman, \$100.
Claude C. Haven, \$100.
Arthur A. Selander, \$50.
Total, \$33,550.

The total subscriptions by and through those employed at the Sitka Spruce Co. amounted to \$3,000, all of which are reported above.

The following are subscriptions made through the Farmers and Merchants Bank:

- Previously reported, \$6,950.
- T. J. Thrift, \$50.
- Mrs. Chas. J. Smith, \$50.
- Mrs. M. V. Colton, \$100.
- W. C. Chase, \$100.
- Inez R. Chase, \$100.
- Louis P. Branstetter, \$100.
- Chrystal G. Lafferty, \$100.
- Eva L. Schroeder, \$100.
- Annie Miller Rooney, \$50.
- C. J. Fuhrman, \$100.
- Marvin Hawkins, \$100.
- Carrie Alice Schroeder, \$50.
- James N. Mast, \$50.
- Edwin Ellingsen, \$50.
- Clinton D. Woodruff, \$50.
- Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Schroeder, \$200.
- Helen Lyons, \$50.
- Ethel M. Schroeder, \$50.
- E. A. Aasen, \$100.
- Myrtle A. Aasen, \$50.
- Total, \$3,550.

THINGS CLUB HAS IN VIEW

A larger attendance than usual was present at the Commercial Club meeting Wednesday evening, and the consensus of opinion was that the Corn Show this year should be bigger and better than ever. As E. H. Mast said, "We've got the best corn and the best potatoes to show this year that we ever had and the opportunity should be taken advantage of."

To find out whether the merchants really wanted a big show this year, J. A. Lamb and F. G. Leslie were appointed a committee to interview all business men yesterday morning and the responses they received indicated a unanimous desire for a better show than ever. But the show cannot be put on by a few and every business man must be ready to give his time and effort if it is to be done properly.

A meeting of every one interested is called for this (Friday) evening at city hall and Mr. Leslie secured the promise of every business house called on to be represented at that time. The time is short and if the meeting tonight results as indications now point that it will, the next two weeks will be the busiest of a very busy year.

While many other subjects were touched on at the Wednesday evening meeting, the only other business was the appointment of Messrs. Sherwood, Cary and Young as a committee to draw up resolutions for presentation to the Western Union Telegraph Co. and Wells Fargo Express Co. asking that they establish an up-to-date office here for the accommodation of the public where efficient service can be rendered.

The Southern Pacific is also to be asked to install stockyards in or adjacent to Coquille as well as to furnish sufficient help at the depot to take care of their enormously increasing business which is reported to have multiplied five times at this station, since the completing of the Willamette Pacific.

It is hoped that a sufficient force will prevent a recurrence of the episode when two ladies missed the train for Powers because the ticket window was not open and they could secure no information about its departure.

Not Enough Cattle.

One of our readers who has been engaged in farming in eastern states for forty years, but who has been dairying in this valley for the past two seasons says he never saw any other section as well adapted for dairying as this. At the same time he remarks that too many of our ranchmen lack cattle and have "just cows." And the old mistake of letting the cows go dry in the late summer and only getting an income from them for three or four months in the year is one that he still finds prevalent in some quarters.

Will Care For Them Free.

For the convenience of purchasers of U. S. Liberty Bonds, the First National Bank have ordered special envelopes which they will be pleased to present to those having bonds. They also offer their vault facilities for the safe keeping of these bonds, without charge.

FEW ARE CHOSEN TAXES WELL PAID

Not Many of Those Indicted at this Term of Court Will Go To the Pen.

In the Circuit court here Tuesday morning Andrew Erickson, of Marshfield, pleaded guilty to having intoxicating liquor in his possession, and on the recommendation of District Attorney Hall and his statement that Erickson would go to work in the Kruse & Banks shipyard to earn an honest living, Judge Coke after sentencing him to serve six months in the county jail and pay a fine of \$280, suspended the execution of the sentence. The Judge gave him a very stern lecture, however, and made it as clear as language would permit that if he did not mend his ways and quit fooling with booze he would have to take the penalty without the slightest chance of evading every part of it.

"When satisfied that you are not conducting yourself properly," said the Judge, "the court won't stand any foolishness. You are big enough and strong enough to get along by legitimate means. The court is giving you an opportunity to behave yourself, but you must conform to the law. The time of grief will come to you as it comes to every one who starts out on a career of law violation."

A. M. Zevely, of Powers, who has been in jail here for some months, was tried Monday evening for introducing liquor into the state; but as the booze he got came in the name of one Martin, there was no evidence to prove the charge and he was released, after the court had directed a verdict of not guilty.

Judge Coke adjourned the Circuit court here yesterday morning for an indefinite period, and excused the jurors until they are recalled. The session this week was devoted to criminal business with the following results: B. E. Rodell was on Tuesday sentenced to from one to seven years in the penitentiary for larceny.

James Burns on Wednesday got from one to 18 years for manslaughter. Bert Turpen on conviction was given one to 10 years for a statutory offense against Ida Middleton, of Eastside, who is under 16 years of age.

James Kibbe, who pleaded guilty to the same offense, got from one to 10 years but was paroled during good behavior. There was much salacious testimony in these cases and it looked as if each of these young men wanted to escape by getting the other. Turpen was the first transgressor, and then inveigled Kibbe and had him arrested.

Fred Nieme, of Marshfield, was sentenced to 6 months in jail and to pay costs and a \$200 fine for bootlegging.

Melvin Smead, of Bandon, got the same sentence on one liquor charge and another six months after serving the first. He was paroled during good behavior.

Winfield Davis, of Bandon, pleaded guilty to getting money on false pretences and was sentenced to the pen for from one to five years. Sentence was suspended during good behavior.

H. C. Christenson, of Bandon, was found "not guilty" of bootlegging as charged. In the case against Eli Doyle from the Bay for the same offense the case was dismissed on motion of the district attorney.

Summary of Coos County's Assessment Roll For 1916.

J. P. BEYERS, County Assessor.

	Number	Value
Acres of all lands	748,799	\$11,173,735
Acres of tillable lands	32,947	1,755,943
Acres of timber lands	387,159	7,610,629
Acres of nontillable lands	328,693	2,408,079
Improvements on deeded or patented lands		755,150
Town and city lots	56,029	3,331,550
Improvements on town and city lots		1,331,455
Improvements on lands not deeded or patented	114	19,865
Logging roads and rolling stock		72,050
Steamboats, sailboats, stationary engines, and manufacturing machinery		438,995
Merchandise and stock in trade		432,620
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, automobiles, etc.		147,560
Money		2,995
Notes and accounts		27,620
Shares of stock		206,125
Hotel and office furniture, etc.		25,945
Horses, mules	2,740	151,030
Cattle	18,176	485,540
Sheep, Goats	4,691	16,200
Swine	2,092	9,770
Dogs	495	5,970
Total Value of All Property		\$19,124,495

This does not include assessments on Public Utility Property which is assessed by State Tax Commission.

Lacking in Loyalty.

A special meeting of the Myrtle Point Commercial Club was held Thursday evening for the purpose of hearing a report from the committee appointed to investigate the attitude of the Myrtle Point Enterprise. The report was to the effect that it is and has been very lax in loyalty to home interests and our national government. The report was approved. Mr. Schultz, the publisher of the Enterprise, was present and was permitted to defend his course. He took the floor many times, but what he had published in his paper stood against him.

A committee was appointed to undertake to establish a paper that will more nearly represent home and national interests. Geo. E. Tonney, J. A. Black, Claud H. Giles, H. A. Fensler and Dr. F. A. Bunch were named as the committee.

Waiting For Uncle Sam to Act.

The proposition for the Port of Bandon commission to build a \$30,000 dredge to keep the mouth of the Coquille river open for the passage of vessels is still hanging fire. Until the U. S. government aids in the matter and congress makes an appropriation to bear part of the expense, it is not expected that the construction of the dredge will be undertaken, much as it is needed.

OUR CORN AND POTATO SHOW

The Corn and Potato Show which is to be held in Coquille on Saturday, Nov. 17, is a county affair and exhibits are expected from all sections of the county. County Agent Smith has been busy all the week picking up specimens of both corn and potatoes and he has some splendid samples of both at his office here.

We hear that the Brewster valley section has been doing considerable talking about their potato yields this year and the Corn and Potato show is the best place there is to make good these claims.

The Bay section also has a good sized crop and many exhibits are expected from over there. The Coquille valley from Bandon to the upper folks has both potatoes and corn and they will be shown here on the 17th.

G. R. Hyslop, professor of farm crops at O. A. C. will be here to judge the exhibits and make the addresses which form the educational features of this annual show. Mr. Smith considers himself very fortunate to have secured Mr. Hyslop's promise to attend.

Not only will the exhibits be made here on the 17th but they will also be entered at the state Corn and Potato show at Corvallis during Farmers' Week in January, where every county in the state is to have a display.

Another point which corn and potato growers will do well to bear in mind that this show will afford a fine opportunity to see and buy seed for next year's crop. Seed will be scarce and the men who do have it will have samples of their products at this show.

Mr. Smith says that all exhibits must be in by the 14th, three days before the show is held, in order to give him an opportunity to properly place them on exhibition in the hall.

First Liberty Loan Bonds.

The first of the week the First National Bank here received some of the very artistically executed and attractive Liberty Loan bonds of the first issue subscribed for last May. They are about 5 inches wide and 12 or 14 inches in length and have attached to them two sheets of coupons of the same size. There were only five of these bonds received, and all of them were for the only subscriber who did not elect to have his 3 1/2 percent bonds converted into the governments 4 percent ones which are to be substituted whenever the subscriber wishes. The "converted fours" of this issue will be a little later in coming, but are promised by the 8th of this month.

Sitka Company Does Its Bit.

The Sitka Spruce Co. and its employees made a fine showing during the recent Liberty Loan drive when they subscribed through the First National Bank a total of \$3600. The men employed there, who were assisted in every possible way by the company, subscribed about two-thirds of that amount, the balance being taken by the management. It is a record to be proud of.

Don't fail to attend the Commercial Club meeting this evening.

THE CITY BUDGET

Our Taxes Will Be a Little Higher This Year—As We Begin Bond Paying.

A special meeting of the city council was called last Monday evening to adopt the budget for the coming year, from Dec. 1, 1917, to Nov. 30, 1918. The estimate of expenses and probable receipts is elsewhere published in this issue.

A new item enters into the budget this year which has not been included before—a levy to create a sinking fund for the \$30,000 of funding bonds, series 1915. This amounts to \$1666.67 and will be a regular item in budgets for the next 20 years. There is also a matter of \$1800 interest on those bonds, making a total of \$3466.67 as against \$2700 which was levied last year for a year and a half's interest. This accounts for practically all of the 1.3 mills by which the tax levy made this fall will exceed that of last year.

The expenses for the past year have been \$1488 less than the estimate of a year ago, but while this is evidence of the economy of the city administration, it is not a saving of which the city can make use, for the reason pointed out by City Treasurer Sanford. The interest on improvement bond funds, exclusive of First street, is now overdrawn about \$1975 due to the former inability to pay off improvement bonds in any series until there was a sufficient amount in that particular fund to pay it in full. This has caused the general fund to be drawn on to the amount of \$1975 to pay interest on such bonds in excess of the interest paid in by property assessed for the improvement. A recent decision of the Supreme court is that a city treasurer can pay off any improvement bond as it comes due from any money on hand in the different improvement bond series. This will effect a saving of some hundreds of dollars annually in interest charges.

The council's estimate is that general municipal expenses will be \$8794.36 with \$3466.67 more required for interest and sinking fund for funding bonds, a total of \$12,261.03. The total estimated income is placed at \$800 leaving \$1,146.03 to be raised by special tax. Assessor Beyers' summary of the assessment rolls for Coquille is about \$610,000 and it will require a city levy of 18.8 mills to raise this \$1,146.03. Last year the levy for city purposes in Coquille was 17.5 mills.

The budget as prepared by the Finance committee was approved and the time for hearing objections to the budget was set for Tuesday evening, Nov. 20, at which time final action adopting the estimate of expenses and receipts will be taken.

Why Grand Jury Is Recalled.

District Attorney John F. Hall says the Bay cities have got off wrong in their statements about the recalling of the grand jury last Monday and that its recall was not directed by Judge Coke on account of indictments having been loosely drawn. There was one indictment that required correction but Judge Hall could have attended to that himself without reconvening the grand jury. But one indictment had entirely disappeared, rendering it necessary that a new one should be returned, and in two other cases, the discovery of additional evidence made it desirable that further action should be taken. The slap dash methods of daily journalism often result in such blundering as the district attorney calls attention to.

40 Million Feet of Spruce.

George W. Moore, of the Moore Mill & Lumber Co., at Bandon, has just bought a bunch of the Boutin lands between this city and the ocean containing 40 million feet, mostly spruce. He says his mill is now cutting 125,000 feet a day practically all spruce, but only 10 per cent of that sort of timber fits the requirements for aeroplane construction.

It Was Only Manslaughter.

James Burns, the Empire Indian, who was on trial for killing his 17-year old crippled son, when we went to press last week was found guilty of manslaughter, the jury being out but a short time. The evidence was entirely circumstantial but left little room for doubt as to his guilt. His attorney, C. F. McKnight, announced that he would move for a new trial.