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Coquille Going Over the Top --- Victory Loan Quota Four-Fifths Taken

The Sentinel has never for a mo ment doubted that the patriotic popel of the Coquille district would subscribe their full quota for the Victory Contest of the Coquille schools will be held at the Pederated church this day of the drive, as the bulk has usually come in during the last few days. Touissant L'Overture - Lois Tuttle The way it stands now we feel proud The Volunteer Organist
of Coquille and the people of the surrounding country and congratulate them upon the rapidity with which they are doing their share to help pay

o'clock this morning:

At First National Bank Wm. Candlin, \$100. Paul T. Ramsey, \$100. Alvin Neely, \$50 E. H. Harnden, \$200 Carrie B. Harnden, \$100. Ruth E. Candlin, \$100 Coquille Lodge 55, I. O. O. F., \$200 R. L. Medley, \$50 T. J. Thrift, \$50 Bees Maury \$150 E. E. Hampton & Son, \$3 Leo J. Cary, \$1,000 Mary E. Cary, \$1,000 Mary Ella Cary, \$200 Florence Elisabeth Cary, \$200 Josephine Dorothy Cary, \$200 Leo Justin Cary, \$200 John Francis Cary, \$200 John Francis Cary, \$200
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Campbell, \$100
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cambell, \$150
Letty W. Endicott, \$500
C. W. Endicott, \$500
G. C. Fuller, \$100.
Connie Willeughby, \$50
G. O. Wilhite, \$500
Chas. E. Baxter, \$100
First National Bank, \$10,000 O. C. Sanford, \$200 Jas. N. & Anna M. Jacobsen, \$500 J. E. Posey, \$800 H. L. Lukens, \$50 L. H. & Mabel E. Hazard, \$1,000 M. G. Coats, \$50 A. T. Morrison, \$100 Mrs. A. T. Morrison, \$50 Lee Goodman, \$50 Alpha Pederson, \$50 A. Linde, \$200 L. P. & Ora Maury, \$100 F. C. Pursley, \$50 Coy R. Sims, \$100 Geo. T. Moulton, \$200 E. J. Brewer, \$150 Delos C. Cole, \$50 J. C. Lett. \$100 Ned C. Kelley, \$50 Herbert Adams, \$500 Marian D. Young, \$200 Maggie J. France, \$50 Chas. T. Skeels, \$300 Chas. Harlocker, \$100 F. L. Miller, \$50 Ida K. Owen, \$200 Sarah Glandon, \$50 W. H. Glandon, \$50 A. H. Mansell, \$200 A. J. Sherwood, \$5,000 Richard David Jones, \$50 Nysola & Leino, +100 Judith Collier, \$100

D. D. Pierce, \$50 At Farmers & Merchanta Bank Farmers & Merchants Bank, \$5,000 Chas. Oerding, \$100 Wm. Oerding, \$50 D. E. McDuffee, \$150 W. D. Champion, \$100 Mrs. Inez R. Chase, \$50 W. C. Chase, \$100 Webb Mast, \$100 H. W. Mast, \$100 J. H. Oerding, \$200 John V. Shuck, \$200 Mary J. Shuck, \$150 Carrie B. Stanley, 50 C. J. Führman, \$250 Myrtle DeLong, \$150 Felix Kester, \$50 R. A. Wernich, \$1,000 W. O. Morley, \$50 Maxine McGilvery, \$50 Leland McGilvery, \$50 R. E. Morse, \$100 J. L. Smith, \$100

E. A. Wimer, \$100

Annie Wimer, \$100

E. W. Gregg, \$100

Fred Fritzky, \$100

John David, \$100

Fred A. Wimer, \$100

J. E. Z. Fowle, \$1,500

P. J. Michels, \$500 M. E. Treadgold, \$50

Ella Walstrom, \$100

Mrs. J. L. Smith, \$100 V. L. Hamilton, \$500 A. H. Chappell, \$50 Geneva Robinson, \$100 Ada Peari Witteman, \$100 J. E. Norton, \$500 Della E. alloni, \$500 Geo. Aff. Siruen, \$500 Annie J. tobinson, \$500 Total, \$46,450.

Speaking Contest Tonight
The Eighth Annual Declamatory
Contest of the Coquille schools will ur-fifths subscribed on the fifth evening with the following program: First Contest, Fifth and Sixth Grades

A Soak in the Rum Barrel

The following is the list of those who have subscribed and paid the first astallment on their bonds up to ten clock this marriage.

The Little Outcast's Plea Donald Do Third Contest, High School
The Fighting Father, a Letter from
a Wounded Son - Carol Rehakopf Death Bed of Benedict Arnold

Audrey Staninger
The First Settler's Story Hope Neal
Lasca - - Ines Gibson

GLEE CLUB CONCERT

Miss Eleanor Lee was indeed splen-did, every number being exceptional-

The solo work by Miss Lee in her while the violinist of the evening, Miss
Margaret Phelps, was compelled to respond to an encore following her secially enjoyed by the audience, the violin is a favorite instrument with Coquille music lovers was demonstrated once again.

The vaudeville part of the program quite rivalled professionals along that line. It was really funny and the mak-ups were a scream.

The tambourine dance made a decided hit, and added variety and enjoyment to the evening's entertainment, which throughout was of a high order. Each number was good, and the happy pleasing personalities of the girls lent a charm to the whole

The accompanist of the evening is entitled to special mention-hers was an important place well filled.

After the concert the young ladies were entertained with a dance at the Ko-Keel Klub rooms where it is certain they had a most enjoyable time. The receipts were over \$400.

Wants to Invest in Lands

Jos. Bagley ,a capitalist from Humoldt county, California, has been here this week endeavoring to buy ranches for a colony of Humboldt people who desire to locate in the Coquille valley. He is reported to have a quarter of a million dollars to invest in farm lands if the location, price and other conditions are right. Wednesday he went up to Myrtle Point to see what was offered in that school? Talk won't do it. It takes section. Mr. Bagley was formerly a money and aggressive determination. resident of Coos county and consequently is pretty well informed as to the dairying and farming possibilities

of the Coquille valley.

It is not stated whether the Russ tract, will be suited to Mr. Bagley's requirements but there is no question that it would be one of the best things that could happen to Coquille to have that land settled up by a colony of progressive farmers who could make it produce large revenues.

Death of Geo. W. Norris George W. Norris, one of the old- of Coos county against the triumvirest and most widely known citizens of ate who made that "frame-up" to dithe Fairview section, died of pneuvide the \$9,000 from the publication monis at 10 o'clock this morning. An of the 1908 Tax Summons, like "All obituary will appear next week. His Gaul," into three parts, under advisefuneral services will take place there ment; and there remains only a cerat one o'clock tomorrow (Saturday) tain fearful looking for of judgment

Mr. Baker Gives Startling Judge Watson Says Struc-Facts about School Housing in Coquille

We lack space to give last Wednesday's Commercial Club meeting the space it deserves, but a movement ley in making the hill lands produce a revenue which will rival the dairy bottom lands. The subject is berry culture, especially loganberries, which are more prolific and have a better flavor here than do those grown in the Willamette valley. A representative of a loganberry juice factory in Salem was here last week for the purpose of stimulating interest in berry culture with the idea that eventually a plant would be located in this section, the haul to Salem or Eugene being impracticable for so perishable a fruit. But the suggestion that the berries could be crushed and the juice shipped out is one which is entirely practical, until the acreage warranted 100-acre production would be sufficient to enable the valley plant to get busy care for the product. With loganberries 7 cents a pound or over 50 cents a gallon, it can be readily seen that a fow acres would bring a good income with an outlet assured.

The secretary was requested to corlem to find out in what way the Commercial Club could assist in developing the berry business in the Cotake an interest and have the rean acre is the estimated cost of the

one expressed himself as favorable to of some kind, there was an undercurwhich indicated that Coquille is not yet ready to take her proper place as the educational center of Coos county.

Barrow & Strang should be settled speedily-either in or out of court. Both sides disclaim responsibility for delaying the case now in court, but it is dragging and the club wants to eee it hurried to a settlement.

Of all the speeches made we can only mention that of Mr. Baker's, who said that Coquille had poorer school buildings in proportion to population than any one-store town in the county, with a single exception. He also stated that the county nurse told him that she found a greater percentage of children defective, physically and mentally, in Coquille, than she had ever before encountered in any school she had examined in several years' experience. That these defects were due in a great measure to cramped and crowded conditions, unavoidable with the present facilities, was a logical conclusion.

The floor space required for pupils, according to modern ideas, is 15 square feet. Seven and one-half feet is the limit in the assembly room. The 400 cubic feet of air space required is cut down to 120 feet in some of the

And he also said that the state superintendent could, if he decired, take away Coquille's rating as a standard high school because the facilities were entirely inadequate to teach science. Why don't we build a modern school? Talk won't do it. It takes

Getting Ready to Build

Geo. Leach has been maturing his plans for the new hotel he and his associates intend to build and this week the plans were prepared and submitted to the contractor for estim ates. He has definitely decided to build on the lots owned by himself and Mrs. Wickham and work is expected to start soon after the first of May.

In Judge Skipworth's Hands Judge Skipworth now has the case

on the part of the conspirators.

ture Can Be Erected Then at Grade

That Coquille will have to be sat- as the Bandon and Marshfield disisfied with a grade crossing low tricts have been paying thousands of bodge, with a landing on the S. P. dollars in salaries to secure. The only space it deserves, but a movement stradge, with a landing on the S. F. dollars in salaries to secure. The only was started at that time which may bracks on Ferry street, is a conclu-expenses to the district in connection sion we reach after a talk with Judge with the entire matter would be a few Watson this week. The matter of finances is the obstacle which pre- the purchase of the cooking materials cludes the possibility of an overhead to be used in the lessons. Of course, bridge, over the street and the rall-road tracks and it has resolved it-fully accepted, will be the assumpself into the question of taking a grade crossing structure, which the judge says can be built in 1920, or picking up gold in the street. But waiting for some years for the high you have another guess coming. The bridge which we want.

When the court decided to appropri- without thanks we did not learn, on ate \$10,000 a year for three years, he ground that the board was not they estimated the cost at probably willing to incur any additional exthe last \$10,000 was to be secured. They still hold that \$40,000 is the limit to the amount which the county can spend for a bridge here, while they a factory here. It was stated that a figure that the cost of a high bridge, with its long approach on the other side of the river, would be in the neighborhood of \$70,000. With \$20,000 for the approach across the railroad and a constant expense for maintenance, the county court does not feel justified in considering the larger bridge. And even if a cable bridge could be built for \$25,000 or \$30,000, there would be the same expense for the approach, making it pro-hibitive from the county's point of HOLLISTER

quille valley. But, of course, the first Judge Watson stated that the step must be to get the farmers to bridge could be low enough to admit road to the floor of the structure. While this would not place the bridge the low ground across the river there is little current in the channel here and no drift at all. Moreover, the roadway on the other side would be mpassable and the draw could be lifted and left open while the flood breezy assurance with which he chamwas on without inconvenience.

> have no assurance that the present at his best when presenting facts and the structure, which will have a 20-county court, or any other, would be figures to show how brilliant a suc-oct roadway is \$1938.38. than \$40,000 for a bridge here, even ty effort. And it car if we waited for years and the bridge hardly possible to exaggerate the benis imperatively needed now.

While the Sentinel regrets that the larger bridge idea must be abandoned, it also appreciates the fact that Coquille will never get anywhere with and making a year-round highway internal dissention and strife and it between Portland and San Francisco advises that we all boost for the at very near a water grade. Nowhere bridge which can be secured next year in the United States can its scenic atand lay aside our greater ambitions tractions be equalled. On one side until a time when they can be realiled.

Box of Dynamite in Sack

of dynamite in the vacant lots north side is an endless panorama of tree of Dr. Richmond's hospital. There clad heights interspersed with shelwere 14 sticks of dynamite or giant tered valleys in which meadows and powder, enough to have made considerable of a stir in that neighborhood if they had gone off. Besides this box which was half full of water there was a paper box containing are never absent, and, no matter what copper wires and caps and a long the season it is an evergreen shore fuse, the wires being somewhat discolored but not yet green. It looked as if the outfit had been there several weeks, possibly it was placed there before the armistice. Who it belonged to and for what purpose it was intended to be used we can hardly surmise, but that the one who dropped it there intended to use it for no laudable purpose is the natural conclusion.

Draft Evader Surrenders We had just started yesterday afternoin to note that the jail was still empty as it had been for the past ten days, when Archie Walker came down to done with a young man from Dora by the sheriff and deputy sheriff happenand had never been asked for his reg- while the getting is good. istration card.

He left young Neer, of the same where he is new.

Offer Was Rejected Not long ago Miss Minnie Kalbus,

who is doing extension work for O. A. C. in this county, offered in addition to what the college requires of her to undertake to teach a class in domestic science among our high school pupils in her spare time wthout charge. In this way our girls would get some of the advantages of a training such offer was declined, whether with or pense at this time. If the Coquille

In the Front Rank

towards the head of the list in Coos of the work being done this year. county, in the Victory Loan Irive. She quota while Bandon reports hers onefourth taken and Marshfield is about put the Coquille district over the top by tomorrow night.

While the Sentinel doesn't always

siasm with which he advocates any owners may find the sewer connec-project which enlists his support, tion without digging along the whole Meeting him the other day at the front of their lets. court house he had two strings to his bow-the Roosevelt Highway and the opening for berry culture in Coos county; and the rosy optimism and pioned both were enough to sweep any And it certainly seems sfits that will flow from the construction of a surfaced highway, the entire length of the Oregon coast, connecting with a similar one in California, will be the boundless ocean and the dashing surf, offering a panorama that changes every moment, and whether fog enshrouded or sparkling Last Sunday Frankie True, the in the sunshine, greeting the ear with young son of Fred True, found a box an eternal diapason. On the other cultivated fields delight the eye and give the home touch and color. Mountains and forest and sea, the three greatest features of scenic attraction where the pine and cedar remain fadeless through all the mutations of the dying year. Imagine what this will mean m

tourist travel when every family in the United States comes to own a car. and all are planning a visit to the Pacific coast. And then let every man on this coast constitute himself a committee of one to see that every man and woman in all these coast countles goes to the polls on the third of June and registers a vote for the \$2,500,000 state appropriation for this highway.

Bonds Are Not Taxable

Mr. Cary, who is the local chairman ask Judge Watson what should be here in the Victory Loan drive, assures us that there is no doubt all subthe name of Roy Swan, who had just scriptions made in amounts of not surrendered himself at the sheriff's of- more than \$10,000 will be allotted in fice as an evader of the draft. Both full. He also says that no one in Coos county will have to pay normal income ed to be absent, but the judge told tax on these bonds—unless he has more Archie to put Swan behind the bars. than \$50,000 invested in them, so that The young man had doubtless been they are practically free from all propose to boycott the railroad, howconsidered as under age for he said taxes except income and inheritance ever, and ship in their freight by boat that he had spent months in the east taxes. Better get some of these bonds

The men at the Sitka mill have neighborhood, who skipped out with subscribed for over \$6,000 of the Vic- \$20 to imbibe too much lemon extract him, in Chicago, and does not know tory Loan bonds, thus again demon- last Tuesday. That has always been strating their splendid patriotism.

Street Improvement Ordered on Hall and First Streets

"That is something which no former council has ever been able to do," declared O. C. Sanford at the regular session of that body last Monday evening after they had unanimously declared their intention to improve Hall and First streets with a bridge and hard surface pavement, as well as to lay the necessary sewer on both streets. The Sentinel has been chary about stating that the improvement would be made this year, for on at least three other occasions we habe announced that this improbement would be made, but now that the council has gone on record as favoring it and are advertising their intention to improve in this issue there is no question but that those rotten district is so poor as that, we should be replaced by a satisfactory pavement and bridge, unless two-thirds of the property owners protest against In the Front Rank it and from what we can learn a So far Coquille stands away up large majority of them are in favor

The sewer will begin 50 feet south has already taken four-fifths of her of Second on Hall street round the corner at the Hamilton hospital and run west on First street, with an outone-half through. We hope to see let in the Taylor street sewer. The everyone take hold here, however, and block west of there will also be provided with sewer connections, the outlet being in the one on Willard street near the Liberty Theatre.

The estimated cost is \$1924.13, for which all the adjacent property will AS BOOSTER be assessed, except those corners which have previously helped pay for the sewer on Taylor street. The laterals will be laid to the property line agree with Fred Hollister, it certainly and it is assured that a map will be does admire the whole-hearted enthu- kept of this project so that property

The bridge at Hall and Front will be an improvement by itself from the south side of First street in Elliott's addition to a connection with the new bridge south of Front, and on Front street to a connection with the pres-Referring again to finances, we caviler or doubter off his feet. He is ent pavement. The estimated cost of

side of First in Elliott's Addition and First from Hall to Willard the hard surfacing, sidewalks, curbing, bulkheading, grading, etc., is estimated to cost \$19,297.98. On First the pavement is to be 6-inch concrete covered with two inches bituminous rock the same asphaltic top as was used on Front street, full width of the street, while Hall street will be paved with a 40-foot hard surface of the same character. It is estimated that the cost of the improements on Hall and First streets will be about \$12 per front foot for sewer, paving and sidewalks. A 50-feet lot would pay \$60 a year, under the bonding act, and that figure is very reasonable considering the prices which have prevailed for the past two years.

What to do with the rubbish which is accumulating in the downtown section is a question which is bothering the council greatly. The dump on the hill can only be reached for four or five months during the year and during the off-season the tin cans, ashes, crates, boxes and other trash which make our alleys and streets so unsightly are a constant fire menace as well as giving us the appearance of a jay town. The fire committee was requested to find some solution of this vexing problem.

An hour's discussion of the bridge and the Taylor street fill was fruitless as far as results were concerned, the council waiting to see whether the county court would assist on the fill. and also where the bridge is to be located before purchasing a right of

The Valley Well Satisfied

So far as we can learn the Coquilie Valley is well satisfied with the new train schedule soon to be inaugurated on the Southern Pacific in this county. Not having been crying for the moon, or moonlight rides to Portland, we are not disappointed. The Bay papers from San Francisco if they can't get that night train.

It cost Jack Little, of North Bend, a favorite tipple in prohibition states.