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Many New Features Are Provided For This Year's Program

The Corn Show committees have been busy this week arranging for the entertainment on both days of the show. The Sports committee has a very attractive program outlined and which will be listed on a bill to be gotten out the first of next week.

The Entertainment and Music committees are not making any announcement of what they are doing but enough has leaked out to warrant us in assuring our visitors-to-be that there will not be a dull moment from Friday noon until Saturday at midnight. A double ladies quartette, the Corn Fed Canaries, a short comedy skit, burlesque, the band and lots of original stuff will combine to make this the most entertaining show yet held.

We would like to tell our readers all that is in store for them during these two days but must content ourselves with the assurance that you will not regret it if you come and you will miss a lot if you fail to come.

An hour's show before the Husking Bee Saturday evening will relieve the tedious wait which has attended the shows in the past and it is planned to start the doings at seven o'clock in Gould's Hall. Friday night's entertainment will also be a hummer. Watch for the programs, although they will not tell you the whole story; that won't be told till the show is on. Below we list a few of the extra special attractions which will tend to liven up the program:

Jim Jenkins accepts the challenge issued to him by Grover Gouthier for a hundred yards straightaway at the Corn Show. Gouthier must furnish credentials indicating that he is eligible to travel in the same class with brother Jenkins.

The Brewster Valley producers of Irish lemons will give an exhibition of how it should be did when it comes to the potato race. Watch Walter Laird for fowls and fakes.

Aasen Bros., of Arago, who won the championship prize on potatoes at the State Fair would like to see some other spuds at the show here that will give them a run for the money.

Twelve brave business men of this city have challenged any twelve husky ranchers in Coos county to the tug of war on Front street at the big Corn Show.

Hillis Perkins and Clausen Bros., of the Lower River, and M. T. Clinton, of Norway, have entered in the contest for best yield of carrots and beets on one square rod. Are there any others game enough to help make the competition interesting?

Jack Lamb will dance the double shuffle and J. E. Norton will do the high kick on the Baxter Hotel porch for the benefit of the proposed pavilion. Keep the pot boiling.

A. J. Sherwood, Jersey fancier, has entered his brindle bossie, "Tiger Lily" against Leo J. Cary's purebred "Virginia Maid of Ingleside." H. E. No. 350627 in a milking contest; cows to be milked by their owners and the lactal fluid produced therefrom to be weighed and tested in front of the exhibit building. Side bets of \$100.00 have been posted.

Charles Evland is pitted against Tom Walker in a horse show pitching match at the Corn Show for the championship of the United States.

Taylor Dement, the mighty mayor of Myrtle Point, has kindly consented to favor the crowd at the Fifth Annual Coos County Corn Show with his most favorite tenor solo.

Price Robison, the Norway ventriloquist, has been persuaded to give a free exhibition in the art of throwing his voice away within the walls of the exhibit building at 2 P. M. each day at the Corn Show.

J. M. Wagner, of Broadbent, will enter his "Leaming Yellow Dent" corn against the "Coos White Dent" grown by J. T. Evernden, of Bridge, for the sweepstakes prize.

Mr. L. H. Hazard, Cashier of the First National Bank, will give a practical demonstration of the efficacy of auto chains; and it is expected that he will completely expose the fallacy of always using them on the rear wheels.

The Coos County Jersey Breeders Association, heretofore presumed to be composed of respected and honest farmers, at a certain time during the

Corn Show in front of the exhibit building will give one of its members, E. E. Hampton, of Arago, an opportunity to show cause why he should not be expelled from the association for stealing watermelons, providing Sheriff Gage is not in some manner disqualified to serve the warrant for reason of his association with the defendant.

Claude Nosler, the Gravenstein King of Bridge, claims that the apples, which he will have on exhibition at the Corn Show will be as far superior to the "Summer Rose" variety exhibited by Jeff Benham, the apple man of Fairview, as a pure-bred Poland China is to a North Fork razor back.

It is rumored that Hardy Mast, the champion husker of Lee, has wagered his St. Mawes bull calf against E. A. Wimer's Buick, that he will beat Eth in the corn husking contest.

Notice is hereby given that the cattle shipping co-partnership heretofore existing between Lew Branstetter and Frank Burkholder is hereby dissolved. All bills owed by the firm will be paid by Branstetter, and all bills owing the firm will be paid to Burkholder.

As a result of the recent meetings conducted by the Coos & Curry Cheese Association it has been arranged for this organization to take over or in the Nestles' Food Condensary at Bandon.

Owing to the fact that it looks like rain, any farmer who has hay down will be excused from coming to the corn show.

The famous Corn Fed Canaries will sing all the songs they know and some others they don't know.

WHAT MAKES AN EXHIBIT

J. L. Smith informs us that there will be room at the Corn Show for more kinds of exhibits than have heretofore been called for and wants farmers and gardeners to bring in anything that they have in the way of field and garden products that are a little out of the ordinary. Cabbage, for instance, or turnips.

As to the regular exhibits for which prizes are offered he asks us to state again the amount required. For the dent varieties of corn the exhibits should be either 10 or 100 ears; for the flint varieties and sweet or pop corn 10 ears only. For vegetables, potatoes a peck or 15 pounds; carrots 12, beets six. Apples 5 for a plate.

Another bit of information Mr. Smith is anxious to obtain is the comparative yield per acre of the different varieties of carrots, beets and potatoes. No one is asked to pull or dig an acre of these crops and weigh them. All that is required is to measure off one square rod (16 1/2 feet long and 16 1/2 feet wide) and weigh the entire product, taking the beets and carrots leaves and all. With information of this kind it will soon be possible to state just what varieties give the best yield in this county.

It Pays to Take a Newspaper

Our friend, W. C. Bradley says he has a good story to show the importance of every man's taking and reading his home paper. He was informed that there was a shipment of strawberry plants at the office here with a C. O. D. charge of \$46.53, and supposing that it was for plants he had ordered, went down and paid. It took him but a little while, however, to learn that the plants were not for him nor of his ordering. The man to whom they were sent had not given him any order for plants, either.

Further investigation showed him that the man does not take the Sentinel. If he had he might have seen Mr. Bradley's advertisement of plants in this paper and got them for about one-third the price he actually paid. Mr. Bradley says his saving on this one transaction would have been enough to have paid for the Sentinel for fifteen years at the present price of \$2 a year. For good measure Mr. Bradley adds that he never took a paper in his life that it didn't profit him financially to do so.

Didn't Come Soon Enough

J. L. Smith has a good word to say for Chester C. Farr sent here from O. A. C. but regrets that Mr. Farr is not going to take up the work until the Corn Show is over, leaving him to shoulder all the responsibility of seeing that exhibits are got in here early next week. If Mr. Farr proves as popular a county agent as Mr. Smith has, both he and the farmers whom he serves will deserve congratulations.

THE CITY BUDGET

Raising Salaries Makes It A Thousand Dollars More Than Before

The council spent the entire evening last Monday preparing the budget for next year which must be submitted to the County Court by Dec. 1.

The total amount estimated to be needed for next year is \$13,026.67, as compared with the \$12,546.67 in this year's budget. Salaries of officials figure in this increase, as both marshals' salaries were entered in the budget at \$100 per month, instead of \$85 which they are now getting, and the city attorney will receive \$80 a month instead of \$50. The budget as adopted follows:

Whereas, it appears to the Common Council of the City of Coquille, Coos County, Oregon, that an estimate has been made as provided by law of the amount of money necessary for general purposes from the 1st day of December, 1919, to the 30th day of November, 1920, both inclusive and which said estimate of the amount of money required by the said City of Coquille is as follows, to-wit:

Officers' salaries: Recorder	\$ 600.00
Officers' salaries: Marshal	1,200.00
Officers' salaries: Night Marshal	1,200.00
Officers' salaries: City Attorney	720.00
Officers' salaries: Treasurer	200.00
Officers' salaries: Fire Chief	60.00
Street Department	1,300.00
Police Department	25.00
Engineering Department	200.00
Insurance	75.00
Fire Department	125.00
Health Department	100.00
Electric Lighting & supplies	2,250.00
Stationery, printing & legal notices	200.00
Legal expense	100.00
Interest on bonds	1,800.00
Interest on warrants	100.00
Coal, supplies, etc., for City Hall	175.00
Repairs to City Hall	100.00
Elections	100.00
Library Association	480.00
Removing garbage	50.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Sinking fund	1,566.67
Total	\$13,026.67

Income	
Rents	\$ 120.00
Wharfage	150.00
Licenses	200.00
Fines	100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Total income (Estimated)	\$ 620.00
Amount to be raised by special tax	\$12,406.67

Taxes Paid Better This Year

There has already been collected here \$740,000 on account of Coos county's 1918 taxes. This only lacks \$106,000 of the total of \$846,000 and is probably the biggest collection of current taxes on record, so that the delinquent tax list is shorter than it has been for many years. Of the total collections this year about \$74,000 is for delinquencies running back as far as 1906. The delinquencies in current taxes this year include \$38,000 due by the Southern Oregon and \$7,000 from the Kinney properties. That taxes are being paid so much better than usual is due, of course, to the general prosperity, in which everybody shares to some extent.

The following statement furnished by Archie Walker, bookkeeper at the Sheriff's office, shows to what extent taxes for city purposes have been paid by the various towns of the county:

	Paid	Unpaid
Marshfield	\$48,600	\$5,300
Coquille	11,900	2,000
Myrtle Point	5,750	700
North Bend	21,550	3,830
Bandon	12,250	2,800

Legion's Armistice Day Ball

The local American Legion is advertising a ball for the evening of Armistice Day, next Tuesday, Nov. 11th. Gov. Qcett has declared that day a legal holiday in commemoration of the day when fighting in Europe ceased. The dance will be held in Goulds' Hall and good music is assured. The American Legion has, with two dances, established a reputation for providing most enjoyable evenings for those attending, and this popularity is well deserved. The price of tickets will be \$1.10, including war tax.

THE ROAD BONDS

How Coquille Will Spend Her Quota If They Are Issued

The Commercial Club meeting Wednesday evening spent the entire time on a discussion of roads and the proposed bond issue for roads. The president, Mr. Cary, stated that under the proposed plan of spending each road district's share of the bond proceeds within that district, provided Coos county votes more bonds, the Road Advisory Board desired to know where each district proposed to spend its share, and the meeting was for the purpose of furnishing that information. Under the new 6 per cent road bond law the county can bond itself for practically a million and a quarter dollars, less the \$362,000 already voted. Coquille's share of this amount would be about \$34,000.

Jack Lamb, voiced the sentiment of the meeting when he advocated dividing this \$34,000 in three parts, one-third to go on the road the other side of the river to Fishtrap, one-third on the Fairview road and one-third on the Bandon road down the river, and a motion to advise the board to that effect unanimously adopted.

J. E. Norton, A. J. Sherwood and A. T. Morrison all spoke on the impracticability and impossibility of securing funds from a bond issue to make or improve roads on which the road districts themselves had never spent any money, declaring that selfish interests prompted some of the plans now being proposed for paving other roads than the existing main traveled highways. The Coquille-Bandon road was included in the list of roads to be improved when the last road bonds were voted and there is still \$48,000 of that money available for use on this road. Any attempt to use these funds for other purposes will meet with strenuous opposition. In this connection a committee consisting of A. J. Sherwood, J. E. Norton, A. N. Gould, L. P. Branstetter, and Henry Lorenz was appointed to confer with the property owners along the river road and with the county court in regard to the most feasible location for a road from the Coquille ferry to the Hathaway place, a hundred yards or more back from the present road.

When State Highway Engineer Nunn was here last week he stated that the next paving the state would do down here was from the terminals of the present road contracts into Marshfield and to Coquille. To put our city streets in better condition, the club went on record as favoring a special tax to lay a 2-inch butuminous covering on all uncovered concrete streets in the city and also on the new bridge on Hall and Front streets. This was unanimously done by a rising vote.

Only Four Enumerators Yet

B. G. Cochran, census supervisor in this district, was a recent caller. He says that only four applications have been received for appointment as enumerator in this county, while 22 are required. The job is an easy one—barring the difficulty of travel during January, and it is possible that some ladies who have not thought of doing such work would find it desirable. If no one volunteers, however, we see nothing for it but for Uncle Sam to draft people to do this work. If you want to learn more about the job communicate with Census Supervisor, Salem, Ore.

Agreed It Was Harold's Gun

Now that the first Leuthold murder trial is over the Sentinel can add to the statement it made last week about the weapon with which that crime was committed that there can be no room for doubt that Lillian was killed by a bullet fired from Harold Howell's gun. We understand, too, that the jury were unanimously of that opinion, though some of them took the position that some one else beside Harold might have fired his gun.

All Corn Show boosters are requested to turn out Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the Exhibit Hall on Front street to assist in putting up the framework for the booths. Bring saw and hammer.

We are all hoping the prevailing storm will let up in time for the Corn Show, but whether it does or not, the same old crowd will be here and it will enjoy itself in the same old way.

To Prevent a Monopoly

There will be a dairyman's meeting in Coquille tomorrow at which time it is hoped to get all dairymen and creameries in this section to join the Coos & Curry Cheese Association. The plan approved at a meeting last week for strengthening the association was for every dairyman to contribute 3 cents a pound on all milk sold, whether to the creameries and cheese factories or to the condensary, to the cheese organization. With the condensary paying one dollar a pound for butterfat, the cheese factories are not getting all the milk they need and three in Curry county have already closed. The purpose is to keep the organization intact so that all competition to the condensary will not be driven out of the field, and when the price is cut the dairymen will still have a market for their product.

Steam Shovel Was Not Lost

The story that during the big storm the first of the week Moon & Co.'s steam shovel was washed out to sea on the new road proves to have been a hoax, but the dumping of one of that company's big dump carts over the edge of the new bridge into the deep ravine between Quick's store and the Brewster apartments last Friday night was an actual occurrence. It was the result of a Halloween prank, though we are not sure it was the one intended. At the southeast corner of the Front and Hall street crossing it dropped 20 feet and landed bottom side up. It may not be greatly injured but it's going to be a strenuous job to get it out of that hole.

THE BULLETS AND SHELLS

The writer had an opportunity this morning to examine a bullet fired from Harold Howell's gun and also the shell ejected when that gun was fired. Of the bullet we will only say that the rifling made unusually wide and irregular channels in the bullet and there is not one rebored 22 in a thousand that would make identical markings. Indeed, we consider it very probable that there is not another gun in the United States or on this planet that would fire an identical bullet. Had the one who fired the shot that killed Lillian Leuthold known that he was putting an identification mark on the bullet a good deal more certain than if he had scratched his own initials there, that school girl would probably have been alive today.

As to the shells the slightest examination shows that the firing pin struck them so as to make an indented dot smaller than a pinhead inside the rim. In a 25 not rebored the pin strikes on the rim. How small the variation, however, a slight computation will show. In the 25 the bore is 25 one-hundredths of an inch in diameter and in the 22 it is 22 one-hundredths. The difference is three one-hundredths. Half of that difference is on each side of the shell so that the actual distance between the point on the shell where the firing pin strikes in the 25 calibre and in the rebored 22 is only one half of three hundredths of an inch. It needs to be remembered, too, that the reboring does not change the point where the firing pin strikes, the difference being caused by the greater diameter of the shell. Any rebored gun would give the same results, so that this difference only indicates that the shells that are dotted entirely within the rim by the firing pin have been fired from a rebored gun. All are links, however, in a chain of evidence that has not been broken, neither can be, so far as the gun is concerned.

Log Jam at Myrtle Point

The heavy rains of the past two weeks caused a freshet in the North Fork which brought out thousands of logs and caused a jam at the railroad bridge a mile this side of Myrtle Point, which so weakened that structure that passengers and mail were detained around the bridge. A train left Marshfield at six o'clock several mornings and ran up to the North Fork crossing where the up river passengers were picked up. Monday the bridge crew set off 75 sticks of dynamite in the jam which set the logs in motion again and relieved the strain on the bridge after which it was quickly repaired and is now in use again.

The County Court will decide what amounts to place in the budget and for what objects at its December meeting.

WAS NO VERDICT

Some Inside Facts About That Hung Jury Last Sunday

The arguments in the Leuthold murder case were made Friday evening, but in order to save the jury one night out Judge Coke did not instruct them until 9 o'clock Saturday morning. They remained out all the rest of that day, all of Saturday night and until after one o'clock Sunday afternoon. During all that time their was no change in the voting which was all the while eight for conviction and four for acquittal. The vote of the jurors was as follows:

For conviction:—Walter Laird, P. W. Laird, George Brownson, Henry Brayant, Joseph Olin, E. E. Hampton, E. C. Mather, Geo. S. Davis.

For acquittal:—Max Dement, Ray Dement, Carl L. Davis, Lloyd Spires.

When we first heard of this result we felt as if we would like to know just the reasons why the gentlemen last named favored a verdict of "not guilty," not but that they had just as much right to vote that way as the majority had to vote the other. We supposed, however, that those reasons were hidden in the breasts of the jurors and were perhaps of such complexity that even they could not state them. But, strange to say we have been enabled, without talking or seeing one of those men to look right into their inmost consciences and see what impelled them to take the opposite side. It was because about the first thing said after the jury retired to deliberate on the verdict was:

"Well, the boy is guilty; there's no doubt about that."

Why this remark should have had that effect, it took our informant an entire day to figure out, though the thing was as plain as the nose on a man's face once it was stated. But we are going to leave it to our readers to figure it out for themselves.

The retrial of Harold Howell for murder is expected to take place during the present term of the Circuit Court, but only enough of the old jury will be called back to form a nucleus to draw to, as it is hardly expected that any of the October panel will be able to qualify for the second trial of the murder case. One or two civil cases are to be tried when the jury is recalled but the date will depend on what time the attorneys are able to agree upon for the Howell trial. If it does not come within the next two weeks that case will not probably be tried until November for it will hardly be begun Thanksgiving week.

But a Step From Death

Wm. Matthews, of Fairview, wrecked his Ford car, purchased last July, in Brewster Valley Tuesday, but was fortunate enough to save his own life. At the highest point on the Brewster grade his car swerved toward the river and taking a plunge into space dropped a hundred feet and after turning over a few times plunged downward another hundred where it rests a badly jumbled pile of junk. When he saw the car was going over Bill jumped and manager to get a firm enough hold with his fingers in the track to prevent his going down with it. He had had several accidents with the car before but will never have another with that one.

To Fill Places at Postoffice

The postoffice here has received notice from the Secretary of the Eleventh Civil Service Division at Seattle that an examination will be held here on Saturday, December 13, for the positions of clerk and assistant postmaster here. Some nearby secretary will conduct the examination, perhaps Mr. Homme, of Marshfield. The examination is expected to be conducted in the Woodman Hall.

One of the positions at this office has been filled by the department at Washington, Lans Leneve, on account of his long service and familiarity with the business being made a clerk.

The football game between the Marshfield and Coquille high schools is scheduled to be played here tomorrow at 2 o'clock. Although the locals are outweighed about 20 pounds to the man they are determined to prevent as large a score as Marshfield rolled up against them over at the Bay.