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## A CLEAN-UP DRIVE

The Dairies of This County to Be Braced Up in the Next Two Weeks.

County Agent C. C. Farr, Cheese Inspector H. W. Thomas, L. B. Moore, of the Oregon Dairymen's League, and H. R. Lochrey, of O. A. C., will take part in a better milk and cleaner dairy campaign in this county during the next two weeks. The following are the places and dates of the meetings and the subjects to be discussed:

Monday, August 16th—Arago—Clean up-day. Picnic dinner.  
Evening—Norway. Lectures and demonstrations.  
Tuesday, August 17th—Gravel Ford Evening—Broadbent.  
Wednesday, August 18th—Lundy Evening—Coquille.  
Thursday, August 19th—Coaledo Evening—Riverton.  
Friday, August 20th—Parkersburg (Clean up and fix up factory.) Evening—Dew Valley.  
Saturday, August 21st—Langlois (Clean up and fix up factory.) Evening—Denmark.  
Monday, August 23d—Elk River, Port Orford.  
Evening—Sixes River.  
Tuesday, August 24th—Sumner Evening—Catching Inlet.  
Wednesday, August 25th—Allegany Evening—Coos River.  
Thursday, August 26th—Haynes Inlet.  
Evening—Hauser.  
Friday, August 27th—Cooston.  
Evening—Kentuck Inlet.  
Saturday, August 28th—Templeton Evening—North Lake.

L. B. Moore, deputy state food inspector, will discuss Situation—Milk, flavors and causes; Factory, sanitation, cans, equipment; Milk house building campaign; get milk out of dust and out of barn; plans proposed as to help; score cards, use on each farm; explain score card and how he will grade. Demonstrate cans, strainers, stools, clothes.  
H. R. Lochrey, of O. A. C., will talk about Bad flavors and their origin; Sanitation, practical methods of obtaining this; Bacteria, cheese detrimental to, how propagated, how controlled, how they are encouraged what damage do they do. Relation of clean milk to good cheese.  
H. W. Thomas, cheese inspector—What market wants in cheese; Situation in county, good and poor cheese. Demonstration with actual samples.  
C. C. Farr, county agent, will have charge of the meetings and introduce the men who are to speak. His subjects will be Co-operation of dairymen in the organization with cheese makers; Feeding and influence—before and after feeding; Barn methods; Silage—hay feeding; Health of cattle, T. B., contagions, etc.

## Special Tax Voted 21 to 3

At the school meeting Monday the proposition to levy a special tax for \$8,500 to complete the new high school building and install a heating system there was approved by a vote of 21 to 3. It took less than half an hour to attend to the business, with Ed. Ellingson, the senior member of the school board, presiding. A. N. Gould and L. H. Hazard acted as tellers.

## Goes North Again for Cattle

J. L. Smith and family returned from their northern trip last Saturday, but he will go up to the Puget Sound country again next Monday, having been commissioned by the Holstein Breeders Association of this county, to buy a bunch of 25 or 30 Holsteins which are for sale at Chimecum, over near Fort Townsend. He also expects to find some pure bred Jerseys for the Jersey Breeders Association while away.

A. Waite, Kentuck Inlet rancher, has this season marketed 1250 worth of loganberries off an acre and a half of hill land and probably holds the record for bench land production. He shipped them to the Myrtle Point cannery.

It is expected that the grading of the section of the Coos county-Roseburg road between Remote and Camas will be finished ready for graveling by the first of September.

Calling Cards, 100 for \$1.25

## For Mayor and Councilmen

While the date for electing a mayor, recorder and three councilmen is more than two months away, the date of the caucus will be somewhere near the 27th of September, and it behooves our citizens to begin to canvass the list of available mayoralty and councilmanic timber. Mayor E. E. Johnson says he will not accept an election to that office again and it is up to the city to find some one who will accept. One man we have heard mentioned most favorably is J. E. Norton who, if he will accept, would fill the office admirably. Public spirited, attentive to whatever obligation he accepts, and with varied property interests in Coquille, we do not believe the city could find a man better fitted for the position. Whether Mr. Norton would accept we cannot say, but we do not believe he would refuse to serve the city as mayor if the people requested it.

For recorder, our friend J. S. Lawrence cannot be improved on and he will be a candidate for re-election.

For councilmen, we have heard three names mentioned so far—Dr. C. W. Endicott, Archie O. Walker and Chas. Harlocker. All are good men, and there will probably be others suggested as the date of the caucus draws nearer.

## FALLS 50 FEET IN AN AUTO

Mrs. S. A. Malehorn is lying in Mercy Hospital at North Bend suffering with a broken shoulder, two broken ribs and a badly gashed cheek as a result of the car in which she was riding going over the grade on Sumner mountain last Friday afternoon. Mr. Malehorn, accompanied by his wife, and Hugh Harlocker were taking two cars over to Marshfield for J. J. Bateman and finding that Hugh's car was almost out of gas, it was being towed behind Malehorn's car. When near the top on the horseshoe curve Mr. Malehorn unintentionally killed his engine and got out to crank it. But the brakes didn't hold and the car started back down hill. Hugh sat the brakes on his car but that could not stop the momentum of the auto in front and when Dr. Golden, who had happened to come up, yelled for him to jump, he leaped out just as his car went over. For some reason Mrs. Malehorn could not get out in time and she went down the 50-foot drop with the car. When the men reached her they thought she was dead. Her cheek had been laid open to the bone and she was badly cut and bruised all over, besides the broken bones. Dr. Golden took her in his car to the hospital where she is slowly recovering from the effects of her terrible fall. The cars were a badly jumbled mass of junk and it is doubtful if Mr. Bateman will make any effort to get them out.

## Russ Lands Not Sold

Manager Harvell, of the Russ Investment Co. at Eureka, Calif., has written L. P. Branstetter that the company has given the state of Oregon no option whatever on the Russ lands and had not entertained any proposition for the sale of those lands here to the state land board although there had been some communication between them concerning the lands. This morning the Sentinel telephoned Charles Hall, of the board, to learn where the mistake had been made in the published statements to the effect that the state had purchased these lands, but Mr. Hall could not be reached, being in Portland.

## A Young Old Man

Walter Sinclair, of Coquille, was in the city a few days ago on business. Mr. Sinclair is probably the oldest practicing attorney in the county, if not in this part of the state, having just recently passed his 80th birthday. He is feeling fine, looks well and steps along as a man of 40 years. His many friends over here are glad to see him come and here is hoping that he may continue to enjoy good health.—North Bend Harbor.

## Senator Chamberlain Here

Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain was in the city Wednesday interviewing his many friends. With Sherwood and Stanley as a bodyguard he called at the Sentinel office. Stranger things have happened than that in spite of the cold shoulder given him by the national administration he should be again re-elected in this staunch republican state. He is a past master in the art of vote getting.

## COURT BUSINESS ELECTRIC STORM

State Will Help Gravel Myrtle Point Road—Other County Matters.

Much annoyance and many errors having been caused by the practice of road patrolmen and foremen giving orders on the county court for work done on the highways, it was ordered by the court on Tuesday that all patrolmen, road foremen and the county roadmaster desist from issuing orders for payment for work done on the highways except in case of the discharge of a workman; and that only one order should be issued to any one person on any one payroll. A license was issued to R. C. Endicott to conduct a dance hall at Bridge.

A proposal was received from the State Highway Commission to go 50-50 with the county on graveling work on the Coquille-Myrtle Point road which was accepted by the county court. The estimated cost of the work in this line needed to keep this road in passable condition during the winter is \$6,000. The most of the gravel is to be placed on the first four miles out from Coquille. Further arrangements will be made for more maintenance if the state highway commission finds it is impossible to pave this road during the year 1921.

The request of W. A. Gilmore for an option to purchase all the lots in the blocks one to five inclusive in Plat F at the Bay for \$20 per lot was denied.

In the matter of the board of viewers for the Coos river road, Thomas D. White having left the state, Peter Loggie was appointed in his place.

Roadmaster McCulloch was designated as the person to supervise the work of exterminating the Canada thistle in this county.

It was ordered that the first half of the road taxes for the road districts in the incorporated cities of the county be turned over to the treasurers of the towns and cities to be expended by the officials of those cities and towns in accordance with the law. The second half of the 1919 taxes of this kind are directed to be paid over before Nov. 1, at the treasurer's convenience.

A lost warrant for \$37 on the Indigent Soldiers' fund, issued to J. W. Felter, post commander of Bandon, for Marshal Steele, was ordered re-issued after the proper bond had been furnished to protect the county.

Clifford Kern was appointed constable for District No. 3—the Coquille district—to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of A. L. Nosler.

## Ruby McDonald Dead

Mrs. Ralph Nosler received word yesterday of the death of Miss Ruby McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. McDonald, who removed from here to Portland three years ago, which occurred Wednesday evening. Her death was due to tuberculosis following a severe attack of the flu last winter. The funeral is to be held at two o'clock this afternoon.

Mrs. J. T. Nosler went up to Portland last Sunday to attend the marriage of Miss Charlotte McDonald on Tuesday, Miss Ruby at that time appearing to be in better health than for some months, and it was from her that Mrs. Ralph Nosler received the telegram.

## Did the Bay No Good

Major Kinney's biography is that of a typical promoter who was always short of funds to realize his day dreams, and who was attempting to provide transportation facilities a generation or two before they were needed. Marshfield and North Bend would have been a good deal better off now if the major had never tried to boom that locality. He might have sat for the picture Mark Twain painted in his "Colonel Mulberry Sellers."

## Law Works Badly

Superintendent Mulkey says the 98 rural schools of Coos county are still shy 26 teachers for winter schools, though some of them are paying as much as \$1000 and even \$1350 for teachers. That isn't so bad as last year this time when they were 40 short. The result was that in 11 districts there were only three months summer schools.

The Sentinel and the Oregon Farmer can still be obtained for \$2.15 for one year.

Pranks It Played at Henry Ellis' Place Last Sunday Morning.

Last Sunday morning we had an electric storm lasting from 3:30 until 6 o'clock in which the salvos of heaven's artillery were louder and longer and nearer than are often heard. The reverberating thunder rolled and echoed over us in a way to indicate that the path of the storm was directly overhead, and this conclusion was verified when the news came that a bolt had struck a detached building on Henry Ellis' place on the ridge between the Marshfield and Fairview roads a block or two southwest of the Academy.

The building struck was ten or twelve feet from Mr. Ellis' house and was perhaps 16x30 feet in size, used as a laundry and carpenter shop. It contained a stove with pipe projecting directly through the roof and this was the target which the lightning aimed at. Some shingles were torn from the roof and a hole was made in the pipe above the roof where the bolt entered. Two or three feet above the stove was another hole in the stovepipe where it made its exit to dash all about the room, playing with the tools on the work bench and cutting all sorts of pranks. While it was scintillating about the room, the light was so brilliant that Mr. Ellis thought the building was on fire and started to get his hose playing on it.

The glass cork of a bottle on the bench was thrown to the floor and broken, and two metal spokes cut clean out of the rear wheels of a boy's express cart there, and numerous evidences of the way things were stirred up there could be seen after the current struck the water pipe and followed it to earth.

## City Needs Fire Truck

In view of the need which so often arises for quick action in case of fire, it would seem that the city can ill afford not to spend the \$1500 or \$2000 or more which would provide Coquille with a fire truck. Auto owners have been very accommodating in hauling the hose carts to the fires, but the carts are antiquated, the chemical is soon exhausted and can not be recharged in time to do any good, and more efficient protection should be provided.

W. C. Chase, fire chief, says he has prices on a Ford chassis, equipped with 750 feet of hose, two chemical tanks, and other fire fighting equipment, with a step on the rear for three or four men, which can be purchased for \$1650.

The matter of investigating fire trucks was referred to the fire committee of the council some weeks ago, and we trust that they will recommend the purchase of some kind of an effective equipment at their next meeting.

## Hiking Club at Hauser

The Hiking club went over to Hauser Saturday, returning Monday, as the guests of E. R. Charles and Mary Peterson at the Peterson cabin. They fished in Beale lake and hiked across the sand dunes to the ocean only about two miles away, but the heavy walking made it seem as if it was fully five. There were nine in the party and they troled in the lake and caught nine bass, not to mention the little trout Miss Wittman picked up in her hand, and was conscientious enough to throw back into the lake. The Hiking club members who took part in this outing were Mrs. Bertha J. Smith, Misses Ada Wittman, Geneva Robison, Edna Asplund, Alpha Peterson and Naomi Knowlton.

## Comes Down With Typhoid

The four-year old daughter of Harve Dunham was brought down here from Powers yesterday suffering with typhoid fever. She, with five other children in Powers, had been treated for pneumonia, which another doctor there yesterday pronounced typhoid. It is reported that all five families were patrons of the same milkman.

The annual meeting of the Coos County Public Health Nurse Association will be held at Bandon Wednesday, August 18, with sessions at 10 o'clock and 2 o'clock p. m. Weather permitting the afternoon session will be held on the beach and a banquet is promised by the people of Bandon. The public is invited.

## House Damaged by Fire

About three o'clock Wednesday afternoon the fire bell called out the department and a whole flock of volunteers and spectators for a blaze which started in the house occupied by Ray Cook across the gulch, a block west and across the street from the J. S. Lawrence residence. When the line of hose was laid from the front of E. A. Aasen's place there was barely enough to reach the roof of the burning building and a hurry-up call was sent for more.

In the meantime the chemical arrived and with it Fire Chief Chase went up stairs and extinguished the main part of the fire where it seemed to have started. But by that time it had spread through the back attic and was burning through the roof. Axes were brought into use and the roof practically demolished to get openings through which water could be thrown. The fire did not reach the downstairs at all, but all the furniture on the lower floor was removed by the crowd.

Just how it originated is not known, although Mr. Cook thinks it started around the stove. It is the opinion of others who were up there that the main body of the fire was across the attic from the stove and that the spreading flames reached the west side, where the chimney is located, later.

## MORE CENSUS FIGURES

Here are the census figures for the Coquille valley towns by precincts:

**Coquille**  
Northeast precinct—250.  
Northwest precinct—161.  
Southeast precinct—753.  
Southwest precinct—478.

**Powers**  
Powers precinct—693.  
Rowland—564.

**Myrtle Point**  
North precinct—464.  
South precinct—470.

**Bandon**  
Northeast precinct—599.  
Northwest precinct—96.  
Southeast precinct—191.  
Southwest precinct—554.

The census bureau has also given out the following preliminary figures for the rural precincts of the Coquille valley:

Catching creek—499.  
Coaledo—35.  
Cunningham—230.  
Dora—296.  
Enchanted—400.  
Fat Elk—300.  
Lampa—65.  
Lee—98.  
Missouri—155.  
Norway—572.  
Parkersburg—204.  
Prosper—445.  
Riverton—390.  
Sugarloaf—423.

## Base Ball—Arago vs. Norway

It was a fine base ball game played at Arago last Sunday between the farmers of Norway and the farmers of Arago. The score was 3 to 2 in Norway's favor. They also outbatted their opponents, securing seven hits to Arago's five. Dick Sumerlin was in the box for the winners while L. Woodward threw the pellet for Arago. A return game will be played at Norway next Sunday if Arago can only secure another catcher. Seven of the nine men on that team which played last Sunday are old catchers and with the addition of one or two more receivers they figure they will be well enough fortified to defeat Norway in the return game.

## Marries and Goes to California

Vaney K. Willard, of Fishtrap, started yesterday morning on a very important journey. He went first to Myrtle Creek where on Sunday he is to take part in the ceremony which will unite him and Miss Nina R. Benjamin in the holy bonds of matrimony. After the wedding they will go down to Richmond, California, where they expect to make their future home. Vaney is a young man of those sterling qualities which promise to bring success in life; and while wishing him and his bride all possible happiness we regret to see him leave this valley.

Here in Coos county the loganberry season lasts six weeks. So, we find, does the raspberry season when the plants have a cool, moist location.

New machinery, lathes, etc., just installed at Graham's Garage.

## J. C. ROSS PASSES

A Good Man Gone—Remains Taken to Portland for Burial.

James C. Ross died at his home in this city Wednesday noon after an illness of five months resulting from kidney trouble. His remains were taken to Portland, where he formerly resided, yesterday morning, accompanied by his widow and his son John E. Ross, and Mrs. E. G. Opperman.

Mr. Ross came to Coquille last December and in February bought a home, but in March was taken ill, so that our people had but a short time to get acquainted with him, or to learn how estimable a citizen he was.

Mr. Ross was born in Scotland in 1846, his birthplace being in the neighborhood of Andrew Carnegie's Scottish castle and across the Firth of Forth from the birthplace of John M. Scott, of the Southern Pacific. At the age of 18, in 1864 he crossed the ocean and settled in Canada, living for some time at Woodstock, Toronto. None of his immediate family emigrated, though he had an aunt and a cousin in this county. He afterward removed to Chicago and in the early seventies became one of the early settlers of Elk county, Kansas, where in the latter part of that decade he married Miss Hattie Carr, of Elk Falls.

In 1881 he moved to Independence in the same state, remaining there for about ten years and then back to Elk county where he went into business with his son, J. E., now of Coquille. Most of his business life he was engaged in the dry goods business, though he retired from it about fifteen years ago. Following his son John he came to Oregon seven years ago, since which time he has lived both in Portland and in Marshfield.

He and Mrs. Ross were the parents of two children, John and Robert, the latter of whom is a noted musician, now living at Asbury Park, New Jersey.

The writer, who located at Independence, Kansas, the same year that Mr. Ross did, and has known him for forty years, feels in his departure from this life a sense of personal bereavement. He was a man whom no one knew but to respect, a man whom we never heard utter a harsh criticism of any human being; a man whose son says he never heard him utter a profane or an obscene word; a man who lived up to the golden rule and taught his children that a good name was rather to be chosen than great riches—a man who in every relation of life stood four square, without fear and without reproach. He was a member of Hope Lodge No. 155 A. F. & A. M., at Independence, Kans. Besides his family here, two sisters of his still survive at the old home in Scotland, and two nephews are survivors of the world war through which they fought unscathed, even, as only five of the ninety-five who went from their community did.

## Meet Smith and Barrow

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stanley returned Saturday from their trip to Washington. They remained only two days at St. Martin's Springs, finding conditions so primitive and aboriginal there that even that short a visit was more than a plenty. They went on to Pasco, visiting their daughters, Ruth and Alta, there; and then came back over the Cascades stopping at Seattle, Tacoma and Centralia. In travelling they were accustomed, the judge says, to note the resemblance of people they met to some one they knew at home, and on the train near Ellensburg he remarked, as he saw a man coming down the aisle, "there's J. L. Smith," meaning that it was a man who looked like our Bank agriculturist. But it proved to be J. L. Smith in his proper person. At Portland they both remarked, "there's C. R. Barrow." That time it proved to be Vice President Marshal whose resemblance to our townsman his published pictures reveal.

## At Baxter for Recruits

R. J. Jackson, from the field artillery at Camp Grant in Illinois, is stopping at the Baxter for three or four days where he will be glad to see any young man interested in the vocational training offered as an integral part of army service. He is also prepared to give information concerning the Victory medals now being issued by the government.