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COQUILLE IS TO SECURE BRIDGE

Judge Hall Appeared Before the Commercial Club—says Court in Favor.

The Coquille Commercial club met in adjourned session at the city hall Monday evening and adopted the constitution submitted by the committee to draft the same. After discussing the matters to be embodied in the by-laws the committee was ordered to confer and report at the meeting held last night.

At last night's meeting the by-laws were adopted and the organization completed, the temporary officers being continued in office. The committees on permanent quarters and advertising were also continued, and in addition a committee on river improvements and transportation was appointed. The members are Geo. E. Peoples, E. E. Johnson and J. S. Lyons.

The dues of members was placed at \$12 per year, payable \$1 per month in advance. No entrance fee will be charged.

It was also decided to allow the secretary a salary of 25 per cent of all dues collected.

The regular meeting dates will be the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

The topic of interest at Monday night's meeting was the bridge question. A committee had been appointed to interview the county court, consisting of Jack Lamb, J. S. Lyons and J. W. Leneve. These gentlemen reported that Judge Hall favored building the bridge.

Judge Hall, who was present, stated that while the county court in January took no official action on the matter of building a bridge at this place, it was understood by the members that such bridge would be ordered built after a site had been agreed upon and the necessary preliminary work disposed of. He stated that it would be not only a benefit to the city and tributary country, but a financial gain to the county. The present ferry is expensive to maintain, and unless a bridge is built it will be necessary to build a new scow.

On the question of a suitable site for the bridge there is a disagreement between the court and the majority of the business men.

Judge Hall maintains that Ferry street is not the proper place to build a bridge, as it would necessitate building two approaches on the south end in the form of a Y leading to the road running up and down stream. He also advanced the argument that if the railroad track is moved to the water front it will be so near the approach on this side as to make the crossing dangerous.

The judge stated that the court in looking over the proposed sites, had fixed upon the property west of the laundry building and directly opposite the county road, as the logical site for the bridge. He thought that it would be possible to construct the bridge high enough at this point for the approach to pass over the railroad, eliminating for all time the danger of a crossing and also doing away with the two approaches on the south end.

Judge Hall also stated, in an interview, that with all the red tape to be disposed of in securing a permit from the war department it would be impossible to get to actual construction work before the rainy season sets in next fall; that the proper procedure would be to decide upon a site and dispose of the preliminary arrangements. Then the county court would make the levy at the January meeting. The bridge would cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000 to \$25,000.

A majority of the business men of Coquille differ with the court as to the site for the bridge. They maintain that inasmuch as the Ferry street site is already owned much time and expense would be saved by building on it in preference to the one recommended by the court. It is also doubted whether the war department would permit a draw bridge to be built as near the sharp bend in the river as the latter site would necessitate, and it is not believed possible to build over the railroad, making the bridge too high to get down in the short distance for the approach on this side.

MILL IS SAWING LUMBER FOR REPAIRS

The mill of the Coquille Mill & Mercantile company began sawing lumber Monday for the first time since the boiler explosion wrecked the plant last summer. They are sawing the sills and lumber to be used in rebuilding the part of the building destroyed and repairing the portions left standing.

They now have the large saw and the log haul operating, the trimmer and wood saws yet remaining to be set up. After the building is completed it will be a short job to get the balance of the machinery in running order.

Some changes have been made in the business organization of the company. W. D. Newton, who has been with the Johnson Lumber company for the past eight years, has acquired an interest in the business and becomes mill superintendent. Some of the old stockholders have also become more heavily interested financially.

The men at the head of the company have been working quietly but effectually in getting the mill in operating condition, and are deserving of great credit for the work already accomplished.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TELEPHONE CO. MET LAST SATURDAY

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Coquille Valley Telephone company the following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year:

H. L. Stephens, president.
K. H. Hansen, vice president.
Frank E. Willard, secretary.
R. H. Mast, treasurer.
Jas. D. Clinton, manager.

The board also decided for a short time to sell stock on installment of \$5 cash and \$5 per month until two shares have been paid for, at \$15 per share. This will entitle the purchaser to the switching fee of 50 cents per month, paid by stockholders, as soon as the first payment has been made, and means a saving of \$6 per year to telephone renters. After \$15 is paid in one share will be issued, and the second when the full amount is paid.

County Has Sprayer.

The gasoline power sprayer, lately purchased by the county on the petition of Fruit Inspector P. M. Hall-Lewis, arrived here from Portland, Thursday. Fruit growers throughout the county can now have their orchards sprayed at the actual cost of running the machine. Those having orchards should not fail to take advantage of the opportunity. No better apples can be raised anywhere than in Coos county, provided the trees are cared for as they should be.—Coos Bay News.

Lincoln Honored

New Orleans, Feb. 14.—Publicly honoring Lincoln for the first time in the history of this city, both the board of trade and the cotton exchange adjourned in honor of his birthday. In proposing the closing the exchange, former President Black said: "We realize that there is now neither north nor south. It is, therefore fitting that we should take cognizance of and recognition to the natal day of one of America's greatest citizens."

Portland Man Coming.

In a letter to the Herald, L. Vesey, of Portland, a member of the company operating the Anvil between Portland and Bandon, states that he will be down on the Anvil this week in the interest of closer business relations between Portland and the Coquille valley.

H. G. HATHAWAY PASSED TO HIS FINAL REWARD

Henry G. Hathaway was born in Warren county, Ohio, April 9, 1830, and died at his residence about three miles down the river from Coquille, Feb. 10, 1911. In 1846, with his parents, he moved to Buchanan county, Iowa, making the trip with ox team. In 1866, he was married at Castile, Wyoming county, N. Y., to Miss Mary Meade. To this union there were four children born, two of whom died in infancy, and two sons and the widow survive.

In 1868, with his family, consisting at that time of his wife and one child, he came to this county, crossing the continent on the first through train running from Omaha to San Francisco. He remained in Coos county but one year, but while here he purchased the farm now owned by Alfred Johnson, situated about three miles up the river, being now one of the finest places on the Coquille river and the place where the saw mill of the Johnson Lumber Co. stood and was recently burned; and during their sojourn in Coos county Mrs. Hathaway taught the first school taught on the ground where Coquille now stands, the school house being a log structure near the lots where the S. J. Miller residence now stands.

In 1869 Mr. Hathaway returned to Iowa and remained five years; moving to the state of Colorado he located in the Animas valley, two or three hundred miles in advance of the railroads, and lived there till 1883. He then returned to Iowa, where the family again made their home until they moved into the Bitter Root valley in Montana. They lived here but one year and again returned to the state which occupied the first place in his heart, and lived in Hancock county, Iowa till 1902, when the family for the second time purchased the Robert Strang farm, about three miles from Coquille, and again determined to try Coos county; but soon becoming restless he leased his Coos county farm and moved to Whitman county, Washington, where he invested in a large wheat farm, which he still owns, and tried wheat farming, with good success, for several years. During his stay in Washington he greatly improved his Coos county property by the erection of a splendid farm house and barn, and again returned in the fall of 1910, remaining here till the time of his death.

Besides the states mentioned where Mr. Hathaway resided for considerable periods of time, he resided in the states of New York, New Jersey, Arkansas, Missouri, California, Kansas, Nebraska, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin.

He was a true pioneer in a number of states and did his part in subduing the wild and opening the way for permanent settlement.

He was a man of simple habits, rugged honesty, a constant reader of good literature, independent in politics, liberal in his religious views, but having a firm belief in a life to come. He lived here but a short time, had but few acquaintances, but gained and merited the respect of all who knew him.

The New Dime

The Dime theater is now under the management of O. Wilson and E. W. Foote, and is being conducted as a first class show house in every respect. The heating arrangement has been changed so that all parts of the room are comfortable, and the very best of film service is being used. The new management has spared no efforts to make the Dime one of the most pleasant places in the city for an evening's entertainment.

MET INSTANT DEATH IN MINE AT RIVERTON

In an accident at McGee's coal mine at Riverton Tuesday afternoon a man by the name of John Turner met instant death, about 15 tons of rock dropping from above and crushing the body to a pulp.

A watch taken from the victims pocket had stopped at 3:30, indicating the exact time of the tragedy.

Another man was working beside Turner at the time, but he saw the danger in time to avoid the falling rock. He shouted to Turner to jump, but the latter did not move quickly enough to save his life.

The body was brought here Tuesday by Undertaker Ellingson and prepared for shipment to Grants Pass. Parties started for Roseburg at noon today with the body, from which place it will be sent on by rail. It is said that a wife and four grown children reside at Grants Pass, one of his daughters being a school teacher. Deceased was apparently about 50 years of age, and was said to have been of a quiet disposition and well liked.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS PLAN TO VISIT UNIONS OF COOS IN SPRING

The following letter was received Saturday by C. A. Pendleton from F. A. Sikes, secretary of the Farmers' Union, department of Oregon and Southern Idaho:

I received your kind letter some days ago, and talked the matter of Coos county over with the state board last night, and they gave me permission to go to your county whenever I thought best, or whenever the officers of Coos thought well to have a big rally. The state president J. W. McAlister, said he wanted to go with me if possible.

Now, I realize that winter is on and perhaps it would not be best to attempt anything before some time in the spring; you are acquainted with the conditions of your county and can suggest a time that will suit all your members. The last half of April and all of May I will not be very busy with my ranch work, and would be pleased to make a date with Coos county some time then; you will this way have three months to make preparations. I suggest that you plan a picnic some time in May, and we will get there about a week before the picnic and visit all the locals and work up an interest, and wind up with a county picnic. This has worked well in other counties and think it would in your county. Let me hear from you about this; I will also write to your county president and secretary. Fraternally,
F. A. Sikes.

Large Lumber Shipment

Over 3,000,000 feet of lumber has been shipped out from the C. A. Smith mill here yesterday an today. The Nann Smith sailed this morning with about 1,800,000 feet and was reported drawing over eighteen feet of water when she went down the Bay. The Redondo, which also sailed this morning carried about 700,000 feet and the Fifield yesterday took out over 500,000 feet. The two mills of the C. A. Smith company are now cutting in the neighborhood of 500,000 feet of lumber a day, and it is expected that the average cut for the present month will probably break all previous records.—Times.

Mrs. W. D. Marshall and children, of Bandon, are spending a few days this week visiting Mrs. Marshall's aunt, Mrs. C. R. Barrows, and family.

BANDON WON IN THE COUNTY

Myrtle Point School Second-- Both Coquille Teams Lose in Debates

In the inter-scholastic debates held by the five high schools of the county last Friday evening the local affirmative team lost to the Myrtle Point and the negative team lost at Bandon, each team receiving one point to the opposing team's two. The question debated was:

"Resolved, That all telegraph lines in the United States should be owned and operated by the federal government."

There was a fair attendance, considering the weather, and those present were well repaid for their trouble by the excellent evening's entertainment. The arguments and delivery of both teams were good and the judges state that the decision in favor of the visiting team was very close.

Those on the local team were Naomi Knowlton, Alice Stanley and Irwin Custer, while the Myrtle Point team was composed of Lester Summerlin, Otto Schneider and Ellis Herman.

The judges were Rev. Knox, of Marshfield; T. T. Bennett, of Marshfield and G. T. Treadgold, of Bandon.

At Bandon our schools were represented by Eva Sugg, Walter

Ordering and Matt Kerrigan. The Bandon team was Earl Watkins, Tom Ostien and Harry Crain. The decision there was also said to have been close.

The judges were Mr. Selby, R. V. Taylor and Mr. Reigard.

Following the debate the Bandon high school gave a reception and banquet, Supt. Hockett being one of the speakers.

Bandon's negative team also won over Marshfield, at the latter place, receiving the unanimous decision of the judges and giving Bandon the county championship by one point over Myrtle Point.

Myrtle Point won from North Bend at Myrtle Point by a vote of two to one and North Bend won from Marshfield at North Bend by a vote of two to one.

The judges at Marshfield were A. S. Hammond, Mr. Giles and S. D. Puffer; at North Bend, Messrs. Baker and Dement and M. O. Hawkins.

Following is the official standing of the team:

Bandon.....	7
Myrtle Point.....	6
North Bend.....	4
Coquille.....	2
Marshfield.....	1

VALENTINE SOCIAL ON TUESDAY EVENING

The Endeavor Society of the Christian Church had a most enjoyable social evening at N. C. Kelly's on Friday evening. Fifty one persons were present. The evening was spent in games, music and social conversation.

Sandwiches, cake and fruit punch were served. The cookies served were heart shaped, and the rooms were decorated with hearts.

Various contests were engaged in for which prizes were awarded. Mrs. Maury and Nellie Custer won first prizes and Mrs. Maury and T. B. McDonald booby prizes.

Nearly Drowned.

Ben Sandborg, a longshoreman residing at North Bend and a companion were almost drowned by their boat overturning while hunting ducks on North Inlet yesterday. When rescued, one was hanging to the overturned boat and the other was standing on an island with the water up to his chin. They were taken off by the launch Vega which was towing a pile-driver up the inlet. The accident occurred on or near the N. Rasmussen's ranch. The hunters were rowing over the slightly inundated flats and the wind and high tide caused the accident. Owing to the cold, Sandborg was nearly overcome when removed from the chilly water.—Times.

Lyons & Jones to Move.

Contractor E. G. Perham, of Marshfield, has a force of men at work remodeling the store rooms in the rear of the first National Bank building, which Lyons & Jones will occupy about the middle of March. The partition is being removed, an 8-foot balcony will be put in on the sides and rear, and the east window will be boxed in for display purposes. New shelving and counters will be installed throughout, making it one of the most convenient and up-to-date store rooms in town.

Taxes are still coming slowly at the sheriff's office, the receipts this week averaging \$1600 to \$1700 a day.

MYERS' HOUSE BURNED AT REMOTE LAST WEEK

J. D. Meyers of this city has received word that the house on his ranch at Remote was destroyed by fire a week ago last Saturday, although no details of the fire arrived until Tuesday morning of this week, when the following letter was received from Lawrence Jennings:

"Remote, Ore.—Dear Mr. and Mrs. Myers: About 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon I saw a smoke up at your place and I thought your house was on fire. I ran up as fast as I could, but it was too far gone when I arrived to save the house. I helped take out a number of things down stairs but nothing was saved upstairs. Saved all the other buildings. All the stage boys came down but by that time the house was too far gone.

"The fire started from the flue in the sitting room down stairs, in the ceiling. Mrs. Summerlin was getting dinner in the kitchen and it must have got quite a start before she noticed it. Dave was across the river plowing at the time."

The house was a large, ten room structure worth about \$2100. Mr. Myers carried \$600 insurance on the building. In addition to the house Mr. Myers lost about \$200 worth of household goods which he had stored there.

The tenant, Dave Summerlin, is said to have lost all his household effects. They have repaired the woodshed on the place and are now living in it.

Progressive Social.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Church of Christ will give a progressive social on Washington's Birthday Feb. 22. A patriotic program consisting of music, recitations, tableaux and dialogues will be given at the N. C. Kelley home at 7:30 p. m. They will then progress to B. F. Hill's for a patriotic contest and the first course of refreshments. The last course will be served at L. P. Maury's. A souvenir will be given at each place. Admission, 10 cents per course.

THE DAIRYMEN INCORPORATE

The dairymen held another meeting yesterday afternoon and drew up their incorporation papers, sufficient stock having been contracted for to warrant them in doing so.

The incorporators are J. D. Graham, C. E. McCurdy and W. H. Hull, and the amount incorporated for is \$2,500.

The new company is composed of dairymen interested in the O. K. Creamery and they intend to buy out the interest of Geo. E. Peoples in the supplies and other property, and lease the plant for a term of one year. They will assume control the first of March, when Mr. Peoples' lease expires.

The temporary officers are J. P. Jacobson, president, and W. S. Graham, secretary.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were granted the past week as follows:

Feb. 9, to Thomas A. Judge and Laura B. Sheppard.

Feb. 11, to Levi Nichols and Pearl Ward.

Feb. 11, to John Wagner and Annie L. Logan.

NEARLY ALL TEACHERS WERE SUCCESSFUL IN THE EXAMINATIONS

Following is a list of teachers securing certificates at the examination held last week, and the grade of certificates granted:

Minnie E. Comer.
Metta E. Hansen, first.
Lola Montgomery, third.
Grace E. Black, second.
Chloe Buell, second.
Jessie M. Sweet, second.
Della Brvant, third.
Mrs. Edna L. Daily, third.
Grove C. Myers, third.
Dessie M. Dean, second.
Hazel I. Mathews, second.
Jas. R. Bunch, third.
Lurnita Dean, second.
Hattie F. Sweet, third.
Ivy M. Williams, third.
Wanda E. Harry, second.
Merle Radabaugh, second.
Arkie Sprague, third.
Viria I. Moody, second.
Minnie M. Herman, first.
Mrs. Olive M. Ostein, first.

Only two out of about 25 candidates failed to secure a passing grade.

Loren Wise, of Minnesota, arrived here Wednesday, coming in by the Drain route. Mr. Wise is visiting Eugene Howe and family.