

# Port Orford News

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## Port Hires Engineer For Development Plans

Engineer Dick Nored, of the Coos Bay firm of Harland, Gessford and Erichsen, was hired by the Port of Port Orford on an hourly basis Tuesday night to begin a development study of port facilities. The engineer, who is presently assisting the port with their application for a federal grant for construction of a sewer line to the dock, will be specifically concerned with working on federal grant possibilities for long-range planning studies for port improvements. Two areas of immediate concern are additional parking and pleasure boat facilities.

Nored will meet with Port Commissioners at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, for an inspection of the port area. A.D. Van Loo, Cape Blanco Road, told commissioners that he was interested in future port plans because he was contemplating buying into "The Dock," with the possibility of expanding into a fish filleting operation for the bottom fish market. A Gold Beach charter boat operator, H.C. Kern, appeared to request a franchise for charter boat service, along with a bottom fishing barge. Kern told the port that he had a 28 foot and a 35 foot boat ready to go, and could operate a third if necessary. He would also consider building

a 60 foot by 150 foot barge to be anchored out in the bay to use for bottom fishing. The barge would accommodate about 70 persons fishing at a time

## Fish Are Released

The Curry County road meeting was held in regular session with Commissioners Glen Hale, Ira Tucker and Gene Colegrove, and also Myron Baumer, Purchasing Agent, attending. The Payne road in the Cape Ferrelo area is under construction.

Construction on Borders Point on the north bank of the Rogue and Jerrys Flat road is progressing according to schedule.

Construction of roadway across Saunders creek is nearing completion.

Fish are being released in the Curry county streams as follows: 140,000 fall Chinook and 75,000 Steelhead in the Chetco; 650,000 fall Chinook in the Elk River and 250,000 Cohos in the Floras Creek drainage.

By count, 75 fall Chinook from the Chetco have been reported from the coast of California to the Chetco; 50 fall Chinook have been reported from the Chetco north to Coos Bay and one Elk River fish was reported from the Columbia River.

The Jacks creek fish trap will be repaired next week.

and would be self-contained, including a small snack shack. He would run a taxi-boat to and from at either one or two hour intervals. The barge would be the only one of its kind on the coast he said, but there is a very great potential for sport fishing at Port Orford if facilities are here. He said he would need about 80 feet of floating dock for the operation.

Kern was asked to return at the October meeting of the port and present a complete plan and requirements for consideration.

Port president Leo Phillips reported that the Army Engineers said they were sending their new blower-type "dredge" back to the port for more work. The Engineers said the dredge had been improved to some extent and that they hoped to be able to move the sand near the mooring and dock area to the end of the jetty with the hopes that winter storms would move it seaward.

Bills in the amount of \$306.71 were approved for payment.

## Food Stamp Review Set

Reviewers from the Public Welfare Division in Salem will be conducting eligibility reviews in Jackson, Josephine, Coos and Curry Counties of participants on the Food Stamp Program. The review will consist of reading the eligibility material in the case file and a visit to the participant's home to verify eligibility as stated in the case file.

Additional contacts will be made with collateral sources to secure and document facts unobtainable through the participants. Verification will be made on the applicant's eligibility as given in the Food Stamp Certificate in the local office in areas such as income; resources, i.e. bank accounts, stocks, bonds, excess real property, boats, trailers, etc.; number of people in the household; residence; cooking facilities, etc.

## Woman Plans Law Practice

Mari W. Privette, who recently passed the Oregon Bar examination and will be sworn in as an Oregon attorney, plans to enter into a partnership practice with attorney Bruce Manley in Brookings.

Mrs. Privette is a graduate of the University of Missouri at Kansas City (1962) where she received numerous honors and awards, including Outstanding Woman Law Student in the State; Order of the Coif, second in class; and served as editor-in-chief of the Law Review.

After becoming a member of the Missouri Bar Association, she was associated with a law firm as their first woman attorney. In 1966 she moved to New Mexico and became licensed there in 1967, entering the general practice of law as a partner.

Prior to law school, she was a daily television performer as the Story Lady in the Book over KCMO-TV.

She has published many articles, ranging from one in House Beautiful to a legal work for the multi-volume series, Proof of Facts; and some 18 or more children's stories, seven of which were re-printed in book form, titled Little Green Dragon Tales, and given with each cassette of these stories she recorded for the Unity School of Christianity. She is currently working on three novels, besides planning her new office.

Port Orford: shrimp pickers. If anyone is interested and qualified in any of the above positions, contact the office in the court house annex in Gold Beach, or call 247-6400.

## Local Health Office Open

A local office of the Curry County Health Dept. is now located at unit B, 406 W. 9th St., at the corner of Washington.

The office is open between 2 and 5 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Tuberculin tests will be given and read on those days, respectively.

## JOBCASTER

The following job openings have been listed with the Gold Beach office of the Employment Division:

Brookings: brush cutters, choker setter, lunch program supervisor, sporting goods salesperson, domestic couple.

Gold Beach: body and fender repairman and painter, experienced carpenter, dinner waitress, housekeeper, licensed practical nurse, Public Health Nurse II, fry-cook, live-in caretaker couple, baby sitter.

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## B. A. Martin To Be Honored

# Dedication Of New Chetco Bridge To Be Held Today

A native son of the Brookings-Harbor area and former long-time employee of the State Highway Division will be honored on Thursday, September 21, when dedication ceremonies marking the opening of the new structure over the Chetco River on the Oregon Coast Highway (US101) are conducted.

The new bridge across the Chetco River between Brookings and Harbor will be named the B. A. Martin Bridge in honor of B. A. "Dot" Martin, who was born in Harbor on July 20, 1899, and has been active in affairs of the area for a great deal of his life. He started work for the Highway Division in July, 1925, and continued with it until illness forced his retirement in April, 1960. While working with the Division, "Dot" was responsible for much of the location of the Coast Highway through southern Oregon.

"Dot", as he is affectionately

known to thousands, did not cease his activities upon his retirement from the Highway Division. He became active in affairs of the Port of Brookings, serving both as engineer and manager. For a period, he was also city engineer for Brookings. Because of his dedicated community activities, he was named Brookings' "Citizen of the Year" last year.

The ceremonies marking the opening of the bridge will begin at 11 a.m. at the north end of the bridge. Activities will begin with the playing of the National Anthem by the Brookings-Harbor High School Band under the direction of David Dulle. The invocation will be by Father Joseph Black, Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Brookings. Introduction of guests and opening remarks for the ceremony will be made by Allen Finch, manager, Brookings Branch, United States National



Memory Of Indian War

A RECENT find at the John Hatcher home on The Heads was this old cannon ball, held by Tippy Hatcher, believed to be from a skirmish between soldiers stationed at Port Orford, located down the hill and south of the Hatcher residence, and local Indians a few years after the settlement of Port Orford. Julie Hatcher shows hole near base of stump where cannon ball was unearthed.

## Brookings Gets Swimming Pool

Curry County Commissioner Gene Colegrove said Tuesday that the county has received approval of a \$48,500 grant from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

The funds, along with matching funds from the county, will be used to construct a swimming pool at Brookings.

Colegrove said the bid opening for the pool is set for Sept. 27 and it is planned that the facility will be opened by

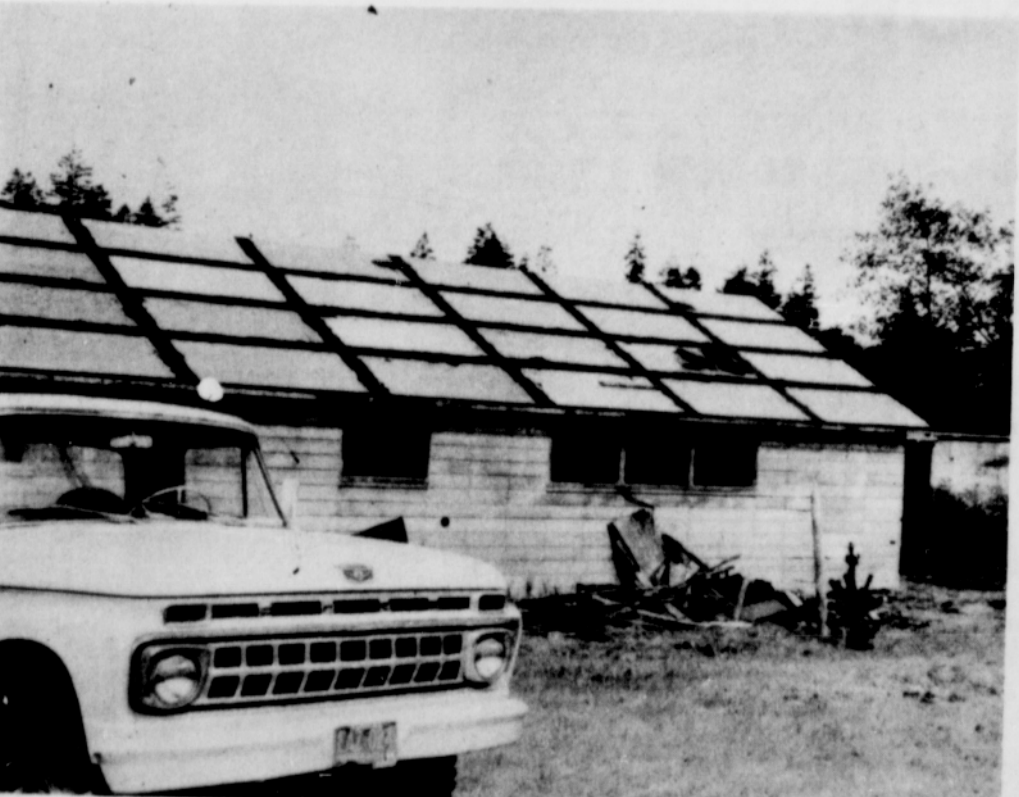
May 1. Plans for the swimming pool call for a 45x75 foot olympic sized pool, which will be part of a complete recreational complex planned for the site at Ransom Avenue and Second St.

When completed, the park will include a baseball diamond, tennis courts, basketball courts, picnic grounds and other facilities, Colegrove said, adding that he was "very pleased" the grant had been approved.



Fresh Paint

REPRODUCTION in black and white doesn't do justice to the new painting of the city hall complex, but it does show that the office building, new library and council addition and the fire hall are now one color.



New Roof Going On

WORK is progressing rapidly at the Battle Rock Rod & Gun Club's new facility located on Agate Beach Road just south of the sewer treatment plant. Building here, is undergoing repairs of new roof and interior to get it ready for indoor shooting range. Most of the work is being performed by volunteers from the club. The new trap range is located east of this building and the ground has been cleared and leveled for installation of the traps.

## Two Seek Gold Dredge Permit

Two Oregon men have applied to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to dredge in the ocean in the area between Humbug mountain and Port Orford.

Clem Eslinger of Hillsboro and Robert Julian of Banks have applied for the permit to dredge to a maximum depth of 120 feet removing approximately 1200 cubic yards of sand per working day by hydraulic method.

The material would be pumped through a beneficiation plant on the barge where certain minerals would be extracted.

The applicant states that approximately 20 percent of the dredged material would be removed as minerals. The rejected sand would be redeposited into the ocean behind the dredging operation.

Eslinger said that gold and other valuable minerals in the black sand are what they are after. It would not be a large

operation using only a 4-6 inch dredge line. No shore facilities would be needed.

Divers would do more bottom exploration first with work to start soon if the permit is granted.

Eslinger said this would not harm the beaches, that he realizes great care must be taken not to disturb them.

## Free Senior Citizen Passes

Passes which will admit any School District 2CJ senior citizen to any Pacific high school home athletic contest, assembly, concert or other extracurricular activities are available at the high school office.

To secure a pass, a senior citizen has only to apply at the office and identify himself as a district patron. The office is open weekdays between 8:18 a.m. and 4 p.m.

## Counties Hire Lawyer For Timber Case

Curry and Josephine counties have retained attorney Bailey Lang of San Francisco to represent them in connection with the suit brought against the U.S. Department of Agriculture (Forest Service) by the Sierra Club.

The counties hope to get testimony presented before the judge in the case so he will allow the Siskiyou National forest to continue cutting timber under its present five-year plan.

Although the judge's ruling in the injunction in connection with the case is not completely clear, said Commissioner Glen Hale, it sounds as if it will not allow the forest service to cut any timber until an impact study is made. The forest service has told the counties it would take at least ten years to make an impact study on the Siskiyou forest.

The attorney will also appear at the pre-trial hearings to see if the judge will allow the counties to be represented at the trial.

In Curry county, 61.6 percent of the land lies within the Siskiyou National forest boundaries and most of this is timberland. The county just received a check for \$1,288,066.24 as its share of the timber sales on the Siskiyou for the 1971-72 fiscal year. This fund is earmarked, with 75 percent going for roads and 25 percent for schools.

Although the injunction would not affect the amount received from the forest service in the 1972-73 fiscal year, it would have a serious impact on the 1973-74 funds and this could hurt Curry county considerably, Commissioner Hale pointed out.

## Meeting On Food Stamps

There will be a public meeting, Tuesday night, Sept. 26, at 7 p.m. in the Food Stamp Office Fair Grounds, Gold Beach. The purpose of the meeting is to explain the Food Stamp Program to any interested persons.

The Food Stamp Certification Office is now open daily 8 a.m. to 12 and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The phone number is 247-7643. Stamps may be purchased at the Port Orford, Gold Beach, or Brookings Post Offices between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.