

# Sense And Some NONSENSE



By Dewey

It is doubtful if the general public living in the Brookings-harbor area really have a true picture of the school situation in this area. Starting this week, to be concluded next, is the findings of experts sent out by the state department of education to survey the local situation. To study this report is revealing.

People of this district could use no better means of keeping down the population of the area than by defeating the school issue now existent in this area.

Not only is a new school building needed immediately, but belief is that if such a building is constructed now, it would be but a matter of a couple of years when such structure would be as out-moded as the present one is for the present situation. Such should be taken into account at the time voters decide on the question of a school building on April 22.

Schools, the places where the future generations of this nation are trained in ways of life and citizenship, should be the best—that is, the best that money could buy. Defeat of a school issue in this area would be nothing short of tragic. Defeat of a school issue in Brookings would set this community back years beyond calculation.

The distorted stories about this area are still rife. While some are good advertising, some are very harmful. While the area has realized much capital from lily bulbs, it is next to pitiful to let such stories as hundred thousand dollars for every five acres go on being told.

People as near as Coos Bay little realize the real story about this area. So centered are they in their own community (which is good) they take little interest in what might be made a tributary to their already large stock of business.

Greyhound Bus lines should investigate some of their depots on the Oregon coast. Certainly the methods of extortion practiced by some would be much more crude than those practiced by Jesse and Frank James about the middle of last century.

The traveling public knows it is being "bilked," but appreciates it more when done nicely. Seventy-five cents for a hamburger sandwich and a cup of coffee is a little more than the freight will stand, even for a millionaire.

Further and more particular accusations may be obtained by speaking to this writer.

Chetco Rod and Gun Club had the luck of the Irish Sunday. At the time the rain started, all the hams were gone and little was left for people to shoot for, except a few "pots" which were on the table while the hams were

asking too much

of the club to continue with a few more of these shoots? Could be that they could be worked up into quite an institution. Think that over, lads of the club.

How many lily growers of this area have studied the work being done for the industry by our friend, Mark C. Cotton? How many realize what information he may gather may mean to the growers this fall when bulbs are being taken from the ground.

By nature of his training these many years, as industrial engineer for large concerns, Cotton is in a position to have information worth millions to the lily industry, once he arrives back about May 1.

## Local News Items

In a Coos Bay item appearing in the Oregon Journal last Wednesday, it was noted that Harold Hoar, brother of Ed Hoar of this place, had the misfortune to have 200 cases crash through the floor of his Dimout club to the bowling alleys below. Hr. and Mrs. Harold Hoar were Brookings visitors last week, looking after their lily bulb interests here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clow and children and Mrs. Clow's mother, who have been visiting at the home of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gott, left Tuesday morning for their home at Dayton. They had spent several days here looking for a location.

Kay and Conner Kessler spent Friday and Saturday at Corvallis, where Kay made arrangements to enroll for the fall term of college. They continued on to Dayton where they visited friends Saturday night and Sunday morning, returning to Brookings that evening.

Claybourne McCullough has received his retirement papers from the U. S. army, in which he has served for 20 years, and rose to the rank of master sergeant. He was retired for physical disability and recently saw service in

the CBI area. His wife, former Miss Velma, is daughter of "Ches" Bravo, and was born and reared here.

W. C. Stanley, Portland real estate man, and holder of Brookings property, was a business caller here Monday. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Neel, and son-in-law and daughter, also of Portland. Mr. Stanley was looking after his property here.

Homer and George Kessler of the Curry County Lumber Co., together with Duane Rowley, who will have charge of their planer, were last Thursday and Friday business visitors at Eureka to locate machinery for the expansion of the planer shed.

Mrs. C. I. Patrick returned late Sunday night from Portland after visiting her daughter-in-law and granddaughter at a Portland hospital. The granddaughter and her mother are doing well.

Attorney Hugh Gearin, candidate for district attorney for Curry county, arrived here early this week to establish his law office. He will divide his time between here and Gold Beach later.

Last Wednesday evening the lights of 12 ships were seen offshore. Some of them were quite large, and appeared about 8 p. m., quite closely grouped in a narrow arc of the horizon.

Mrs. Beth Simon and children returned from Eugene where they visited the children's grandparents.

Mrs. Roy Lytle has been visiting her daughter, Charlotte, in the San Francisco bay region.

Stephen Sullivan reports sale of ten acres of his ranch to Frank Smith of Portland. Mr. Smith indicates that his present plans are to just make the place a homesite.

Hiram Hight made a short business trip here from his home at Santa Cruz, Calif. Formerly he owned the tract now known as Snug Harbor, the present home of the Harbins.

Ex-Sgt. Harold James of Ophir, who saw much active service in

France and Germany with an anti-aircraft outfit, recently visited his sister, Mrs. M. S. Brainard on Easy Street. James had several months' duty with the guards at

Stuttgart and Ludwigsburg oners of war camps.

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## SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal voters of School Dist. No. 17, of Curry County, Oregon that a SPECIAL SCHOOL MEETING of said District will be held at the School House on the 22nd day of April, 1946, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the following objects:

1. To authorize the District School Board to secure plans and begin construction of a new school house from funds now available.
2. To vote upon the question whether or not School District No. 17, Curry County, Oregon, authorize the District School Board to levy, annually, beginning July 1, 1946, for Five (5) years a special district tax levy of \$10,000 per year to provide a fund for construction, re-construction, improvement, betterment, repair and equipment of schools.
3. To vote upon the proposed budget increasing the tax levy over the amount limited by Sec. 11, Article XI, State Constitution.

HERBERT PAYNE, Chairman  
Board of Directors  
Attest:  
Dora E. Beaulieu, Clerk