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BROOKINGS, CURRY COUNTY, OREGON

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## Laundry Opening Has Been Delayed

Delayed because much of his equipment has not arrived, H. Blumhard, recently of Los Angeles, hopes to have his laundry business by the middle of August, he told the Pilot on Monday. "I will, however, be able to do nothing but rough dry work until the local power company is able to supply me 220-volt, three-phase electricity, because much of the machinery requires that voltage." Blumhard recently discharged from the army, in which he served for two years, Mr. Blumhard, while looking around for a location, depended upon Brookings through the recommendation of friends. He is presently in this work. Blumhard has leased the front of the business hall, which has recently been remodeled by John Blumhard, and leased to Ray Miller. Blumhard is working with rough dry laundry. Mr. Blumhard will add new machinery as machinery arrives. As Blumhard concluded: "I want to give the public of this area service as soon as possible, and add as time goes on until I am able to give a complete laundry and dry cleaning service. This goal will be reached as soon as electrical power is available."

## Palooka, Billed Pine Cone, Fri.

At the beginning of the war, Kirkwood, son of the famous Italian trick shot golfer of the same name, is the first lucky to find himself a motion picture star as the result of a talent hunt. He will be seen at the Pine Cone theatre, Friday and Saturday in the title role of Monogram "Palooka, Champ," the role of a nation-wide talent hunt conducted by the studio. The lucky young man now finds himself among Hollywood's royalty because his mother sent a photograph of his to the St. Petersburg Times, the newspaper which was clearing house of the talent hunt in Florida. The 49 victors in state competitions, four were selected by Monogram to be given "screen contracts." Kirkwood was singled out for the final competition, and taken to Hollywood for additional tests. Erroll is starred in "Joe Palooka, Champ," in the part of the boxer's heart interest. Elyse Knox portrays Anne, appearing in the film are Mario Ciannelli, Betty Blythe, Louns, Henry Armstrong, and Nova.

The Greyhound bus depot will be moved from the present location to the Bert DeMoss property on the highway, between the Johnson building and the Brookings Garage, Sept. 1, T. S. Matt, local agent, said, Wednesday.

An infant and pre-school picnic will be held Monday and Tuesday, August 5 and 6, at the grade school building. By appointment only, so contact Miss Kelly, nurse, or Mrs. Young. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Murphey and Mrs. Kent, Wash., were called by Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Redmond Sunday evening.

## Fire Destroys Cab on Truck Sunday Afternoon

Fire, believed caused from gas running on the muffler, burned the cab on the Bankus semi-trailer Sunday evening, about two miles north of town. Fortunately the flames were confined to the cab, where the upholstery, steering wheel and any combustible material was reached. Motor and the chassis were apparently unharmed by the fire.

## Vespers Attracts Crowd Sunday Eve

Before a capacity house, Sunday evening, the choir of the Baptist Community church presented the vespers service, originally to have been a function for lily week. Decorations of lilies and red gladiolus formed an attractive setting for the occasion.

Under direction of Otto C. Turley, a two-hour program was given, including solos, duets, male and mixed quartettes, and choir. For a choir, such as the local one, the vespers was quite an undertaking, yet, all voices carried parts comparable to what might be expected of a professional group.

Here, in the land of lilies and all flowers, decorations such as were seen Sunday evening, elsewhere, would have cost quite a sum of money. Each lady of the choir wore a gladiola corsage. Proceeds of about \$130 were realized toward the purchase of a Hammond organ.

## Sixes Grange Met With Fair Board

Grange members voted to support the Curry County fair board by participating in a queen contest, if organized and supported by Pomona and also in an old-time or square dance contest between Granges. Frank Shaw, master, agreed to appoint a contest committee to arrange a queen contest. The queen is to be selected by the community making the most entries in the fair. The fair board also voted to double the premiums published in the last premium list. H. H. Hansen, president of the fair board, requests that all organizations in the county get together to put on a community booth, for which space will be provided as usual. A cash award to each satisfactory exhibitor will be given to defray the cash cost of putting on the booth.

The fair board also agreed to meet with any other organizations interested in developing a fair program. The veterans in the county have been allotted the concessions and entertainment on a trial basis this year, looking into the future when a more extensive entertainment program can be developed, which also can be made quite profitable to the veterans, keeping the money at home instead of bringing in outside concessions. A ferris wheel and a merry-go-round may be purchased jointly with the Coos County fair board if plans materialize.

John Bowdish returned Tuesday afternoon from Medford. He was accompanied by Chas. Ward who returned to Medford that evening.

## Two Booklets Will Publicize Southern Curry County, Ore.

### "Story of Brookings," And Directory of Area Are Planned

"The Story of Brookings," depicting the history of this area from the time it was an idea in the mind of Mr. Brookings while lumbering in California, to the present day, will go to the printers sometime about first of the month.

Written by Mrs. W. H. Hibbard, long time resident of this area, the story is briefly written, and contains about 30 full-page pictures, showing various steps in the progress of Brookings, of the ghost-town and of the boom of the area, due to lilies.

While a little early to predict the number of pages, and the cost of the finished product, it is estimated that the book will contain about 80 pages, 6x9, and will sell for at least \$1.50, possibly more, depending upon the cost of materials necessary to complete the job in a manner which will make the book desirable as a gift, or an addition to any library.

### Proposes Directory of Area

Through the chamber of commerce, if that organization will take upon itself the responsibility of publication, a directory of the area has been proposed.

In order to answer the numerous inquiries about the area, it has become quite a task to write letters, telling the information desired. Through this booklet, to contain briefly all information of the area, this work is hoped to be minimized.

This proposed booklet will contain, not only general information of the district, but will list any and all industries, together with people interested in these industries. In other words, this listing would compare somewhat with the classified section of a telephone directory, together with information likely to be sought by any inquirer. Further details of this directory will be told at a later date.

## Farm Wages High In Pac. Northwest

Oregon's composite farm wage rate per month averaged 2.7 per cent higher on July 1, of this year than a year ago, according to an analysis of USDA data by the OSC extension service. The increase was less than the national average of eight per cent during the year ending July 1, however.

At 331 per cent of the 1935-39 United States average level of farm wage rates is now the highest on record. Farmers are also employing more hired workers than a year ago—seven per cent more.

After appearing to be slowing down the last part of 1945 the first months of 1946 did not materially gain, but since April, the rate has advanced twice the usual rate. Farm wage rates climbed along with increases in industrial wage rates.

Although the recent advance in farm wage rates was greater nationally than in Oregon, the cur-

## Donald Carson Returns Home With A Bride

Donald Carson has returned to his home at Harbor, from a trip to California, where he acquired a bride, Florbelle Iverson, school girl chum, formerly of Klamath Falls.

They are making their home, temporarily, at the home of Donald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carson.

## Burns Couple Buys Polly's Shop, Here

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Smith, of Burns, have purchased Polly's Shop, from Mrs. P. D. Schroeder, and took possession of the business, Monday of this week.

Discharged only June 20 from the navy where he served during the war, Mr. Smith is a graduate of the Burns schools and attended University of Oregon for a time before entering the service. Mrs. Smith has had experience in the drygoods and ready-to-wear business with Penneys.

To carry a complete mens and womens wear stock, this new store will be known as Smith's Department Store, when stocks can be brought up to the level planned by the young couple.

The housing situation for the Smiths, like for many others, is a problem, and for the moment they are staying with relatives of Mrs. Smith in Harbor.

Mrs. Schroeder, who founded the business last year, has announced no plans, but may remain at their lily garden near the state line.

## Couple Burned As Stove Exploded

Mr. and Mrs. Lee, elderly residents of the Chetco Inn, Friday, narrowly escaped death when a butane stove exploded, nearly wrecking the apartment.

Believed to have been caused, either by a leaky connection, or failure to completely turn off the jet, for when an attempt was made to light the stove the place exploded.

Mrs. Lee, nearly 80, was badly burned from her waist down, and after first aid, administered by Dr. Schmitt, was rushed to Knapp hospital, Crescent City, where, it is said, her condition still remains serious.

Mr. Lee suffered a scalp wound when plaster from the ceiling hit him, besides burns on his hands. He was treated by Dr. Schmitt, but remained here.

Considerable damage was done to the apartment. The son of the elderly couple was at Portland at the time, and the couple had made plans to return to Idaho to their home it is told here.

Hub Dixon of Brookings was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party at his home July 24. Twelve friends were present for an evening of cards. Mrs. Dixon served refreshments later. Mr. Dixon received many useful gifts.

rent level in Oregon is still relatively higher than in the whole country, both in terms of money wages and in relation to the 1935 to 1939 level. The highest farm wage rates in the nation are paid in Oregon, Washington and California.

## Legion, Auxiliary Will Install, Mon.

Joint installation of the American Legion and Auxiliary will be held Monday, Aug. 5, at Chetco Grange hall.

Mrs. Earl Templar, past Oregon department president, and a national committee-woman, will be installing officer. New Auxiliary officers to be installed:

President—Regina Haggerty.  
First Vice-president — Lula Goldizen.  
Second Vice-President — Eleanor Taylor.  
Secretary-Treasurer — Marjorie Hoagland.  
Sergeant-at-arms — Collena Gales.

Committees in charge of this affair are: Decoration — Collena Gales, chairman; Mrs. J. Zumpfe, and Mrs. Leo Spangler; Social—Faye Sunderland, chairman, Mrs. J. Yelton, Mrs. Osa Johnson and Mrs. E. Taylor.

All members and prospective members are urged to attend this meeting.

## Gorse Control To Be Studied Here

Experimental work in gorse control in Curry county will be viewed by southwestern Oregon farmers, Friday, August 9, at a field day arranged by D. D. Hill, head of the farm crops department at Oregon State College. The tour will start at the Sixes Grange hall at 1:30 p. m.

Work to develop effective control measures for this troublesome shrub has been under way for nearly a year. Curry, Coos, Lane and Douglas counties are co-operating with the state agricultural experiment station in the project.

Gorse is a woody perennial legume that now covers nearly 25,000 acres of land in southwestern Oregon and is spreading steadily. Infested areas can be found in all coast counties, Dr. Hill explains.

The plant produces a dense thicket of thorny branches that smothers other plant growth. It does not provide grazing for livestock and has no value for any purpose. It is extremely hardy and is not killed by burning, as new growth from both seedlings and crowns will be produced on burned areas. It is a fire hazard in dry seasons and is credited with responsibility for much of the disastrous effects of the Bandon fire of 1936.

The plant was introduced in Oregon from the British Isles in the '90s when two plantings were made for ornamental purposes, according to Dr. Hill. One of these was at Bandon and the other on the Elk River.

## Couple Weds Here Tuesday Noon

Before Judge A. E. Sandbo., local justice of the peace, Tuesday at 12:30 p. m. Noial Patrick Edge of Los Angeles and Janet E. Wall of Gold Beach, were married.

The groom, a nephew of Mr. Smith, principal of Gold Beach schools, is a student at Los Angeles, where the couple will be at home following a wedding trip. The couple was accompanied here by Mr. Smith.

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