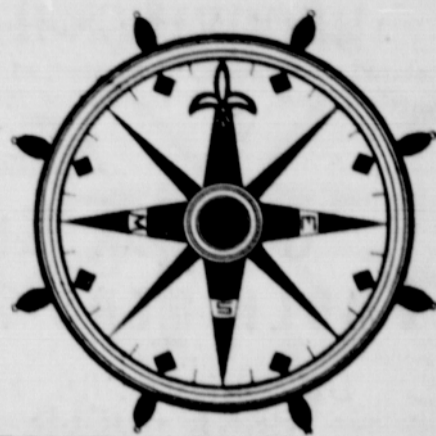


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## Committee Named Sign Members for "Lily Pool"

### Signup Blanks May Be Reached Easily In Immediate Vicinity

O. Leonard, of Brookings; N. Reed of Harbor; Chas. S. Schaal Harbor; Tony Olsen of Harbor and Robert Simmons, Brookings, comprise a committee named sign members for the Chetco Pool, according to word received from R. M. Knox, county agent, and one of the originators of the pool. His letter:

Enclosed, find pool agreement forms to be used by signing all lily growers in the area in accordance with the agreement reached while we met you last Tuesday. I hope you will be able to sign up all of the independent growers in your

There will be a meeting at the Harbor Grange, Thursday evening, Sept. 19, at eight-thirty. Be sure to come! You need not be a member of any organization, but you are, you're still welcome. It is vital to everyone!

and suggest that the committee as a whole try to get two or three of the larger growers together where you can all have a good visit with them, including Struebing and Mrs. Stafford. They will sign this agreement, and be sure that the plan will suc-

our meeting here at Gold Beach, the court room was packed and there was very little fault found with the pool agreement. People worked out. They just proposed changing the names to fit in our community and needed to sign up, and as a result 50 growers are now members of the pool. With this kind of a start, I am sure that the pool will spread on up the coast and we hope to even extend it to California and Washington. Please keep me posted on developments in your area.—R. M. Knox, county agent.

### Signup Is Urged

Any of the foregoing committee members have a blank for signing up this pool, and one copy has been left at the Pilot office, for convenience of those who may be unable to sign by any of the committee. Signup is urged all independent growers so that administrative work may begin at once.

### Expressed By This Area

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Franklin, prominent tulip growers from the Brookings area, were here Monday with their guests from New York, and Mrs. W. L. Crissey, to the Crissey's lilies. Mr. Franklin, who introduced tulips growing into Oregon, in the Brookings area, some 30-odd years ago, is impressed with the lily culture of this area, expressing a desire to locate on the ocean

## Maritime Strike May Affect Bulb Shipment

With an order for shipment of Croft lily bulbs to Palestine, W. L. Crissey faces a dilemma.

Railroads out of Portland are accepting shipments of perishables for New York because of the truck-drivers and maritime strikes which have practically closed everything in that city.

Mr. Crissey, because of this situation, may be forced to forget the order.

## Azalea Garden Club Hears Speakers At Last Meeting

### W. L. Crissey, Hugh Gearin and Robert Sloan Gave Talks

W. L. Crissey, vice-president of Keep Oregon Green association, Hugh C. Gearin, representing the Rod & Gun Club, and Robert Sloan, who has made considerable name for himself as a compost gardener, spoke to the meeting of Azalea Garden Club last Thursday at Harbor Grange hall.

Mr. Crissey spoke in behalf of saving the myrtlewoods, characteristic of this section of Oregon. He pointed out that the best stand was to be found up the Chetco. This same variety of myrtlewood is also found in the Holy Land, he pointed out.

Talking in behalf of fish and game conservation, Hugh C. Gearin who approached his subject more from the angle of law. Vigilance of the streams and forests will keep for this area one of the greatest attractions of the area for tourists.

Soil conservation has been his hobby for some time, and by and through this hobby Mr. Sloan has made considerable study of compost gardening, nature's way of keeping soil up to its intended fertility.

He pointed that people robbed the soil of its valuable elements, which in turned robbed vegetation of its proper elements, and as a result humanity suffered.

Mrs. McVay, president, reported on the county fair at Gold Beach, and told of the club's activities there. This club has been offered the privilege of staging a county-wide flower show.

Report was also made of the formation of the permanent Azalea Festival association. The club will be looked to to continue the flower show.

Co-operation is asked by the chamber of commerce to aid in entertaining 65 men and 35 women connected with national parks, who will be here Sept. 29.

The Garden club, by motion, went on record as favoring the establishment of a sheltered picnic pavillion at Azalea Park.

Lyle Redfield and son, Lyle Jr. made a business trip to Klamath Falls, Tuesday.

## Gold Strike Brings New Publicity For Immediate Area

### Myrtle Creek Strike Causes Exodus To Crescent City

Adding further to the national spotlight on this area, was the announcement last week of discovery of gold on Myrtle Creek, tributary to Smith River. Under a Crescent City date-line the following appeared:

CRESCENT CITY — Discovery of gold-bearing ores, which assayed at from 18 to 55 dollars a ton, in test runs here this week, presaged what may well turn out to be one of the biggest gold strikes in Del Norte county history.

Over 20,000 acres of gold-bearing copper pyrites in Del Norte county, it was estimated, are possible bearers of the rich gold ore. The area included lies between Rattlesnake Mountain and Low Divide. The discovery of the ore last week, is credited to Tom Cronin, local prospector. The original strike was made along the upper reaches of Myrtle Creek. The gold, formerly run off in the slimes and concentrates and believed by miners and quartz operators to be worthless, was found upon smelting, to contain gold assaying as high as \$55 a ton.

The presence of gold, which lies in a black form and shows no color before smelting due to the presence of chlorides and sulphides, in the decomposed peridotite where it is found, was not suspected until last week. When Tom Cronin brought in a load of the yellowish clay with the black lachings to Ernest Hey, local assayer and miner, a test run was made, and the rest is history.

Several test runs have been made, with samples of the surface clay. All tests showed gold in sizeable quantities. One test, it was revealed, ran as high as \$75 a ton.

According to the discovered of the ore deposits, the gold-bearing peridotite occurs near the surface of the ground. In the immediate vicinity of the Myrtle Creek strike there are an estimated million tons of ore, readily available.

Cronin plans, shortly, to establish a pilot plant near Crescent City, where sizeable runs in commercial quantities may be made on the ore. If this scale operation proves successful, a large 200-ton plant will be installed. Right now Cronin is interested in talking to a backer for the pilot plant, which he estimates will cost \$5000 to install.

Already hundreds of claims have been staked in the area of the first strike, with more parties leaving Crescent City every day to stake out claims. With 20000 acres to wander over, it is believed there will be plenty of land for all comers for a while.

Mining engineers from San Francisco are reportedly investigating the possibilities here, and

## Much-Needed Business Coming To Brookings

Another long-felt need for this area will be realized as soon as a building can be erected for that purpose.

F. N. Tygart of Gold Hill, last week, purchased the lot adjacent to Azalea Garage, and next to the Coos Electric Co-op office, and will put in a tire recapping shop. He has the lumber from his own mill which will be shipped here shortly to commence erection.

## Pioneer Of Oregon Answered Final Summons, Sunday

### Came To Brookings In 1912, and Worked On Local Construction

Last Sunday, Sept. 15, at 1:30 p. m., saw the passing of another Brookings pioneer, Louis M. Tucker.

Born, May 5, 1877, at Springwater, Oregon, he was son of another pioneer, Branch Tucker, who came to Oregon in 1852.

Mr. Tucker came to Brookings in 1912, staying here until 1917. During that time he was foreman of construction for many of the mill buildings, one of which is the "old mess hall."

He left here in 1917 to go to Silverton, but returned to Crescent City in 1920.

At Crescent City he supervised construction on many of the present buildings, the hall of records, the schools and the Hotel Lauff.

He purchased a ranch on the Winchuck in 1925, residing on it until 1940 when he moved to Gold Beach, to live until his death.

Interment was at the Gold Beach cemetery. Surviving are his widow, Mary M. Tucker, daughter, Mrs. N. I. Puter, son, Lee E. and two grandsons, Louis S and Wm. H. Cochran.

## Top This!

The largest growth in bulbs reported to the Pilot so far this year, has been from the Green-Annin patch.

These pure Croft bulbs range in size from eight, on through 13 inches and were grown from five and six-inch yearlings.

From 564 plants there were:  
13-inch ..... 28  
12-inch ..... 80  
11-inch ..... 80  
10-inch ..... 206  
9-inch ..... 150  
8-inch ..... 20  
These have just been harvested.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kirby and son, Dell of Medford were here last week attending to harvesting of their bulbs.

Tom Cronin has already had a purchase offer from a southern firm of mining engineers. He does not plan to sell any of his holdings at present.

## Brookings Schools Find Enrollment Higher This Year

### High School Enrollment 80 On Opening Day; 36 Boys and 44 Girls

With 80 students present at the opening day, the high school student body found itself crowded into the space where, last year, only 69 found themselves cramped "beyond words."

Mrs. Lovett has been engaged as part-time teacher of English, geography and girls physical education.

Art Guthrie will have social sciences, world history, applied science and general mathematic in addition to boys physical education.

Miss Ruth Woodward will have English 2, 3 and 4 classes, typing and shorthand, and girls health.

Mr. Horner will have algebra, general science, senior mathematics, and boys physical education.

Mrs. Horner will have music for the entire school in addition to supervision help.

With classes averaging about 30 each, only one class in the entire school has a small enrollment—that being English 4.

As last year, rooms are small for all class assignments, although Mr. Horner told the Pilot, Monday that the school had gotten off to a good start, with 36 boys and 44 girls enrolled the opening day.

In keeping with crowded conditions of the school, lockers this year must serve at least two students, it was pointed out.

## Local News Items

Mrs. Helen Mason and son recently returned to Brookings for the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Horner. The family had spent the summer vacation at Sweet Home, their former home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rau and children, Irene, Ruth Ellen, and Harold, originally of Minnesota, have made their home at Brookings this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Calhoun of Myrtle Creek are two of the many people who are, or have been in this district, digging their lilies. The Calhouns have recently moved from Myrtle Creek to a new home at Grants Pass.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hibbard and Walter F. Hibbard of Puentea, Calif., and Mrs. L. M. Hilt of Eugene are now guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hibbard. Mrs. Hilt is the daughter and John and Walter are brothers of the Hibbards.

Mrs. Harry Edwards who has been visiting her parents at Petaluma, Calif., is expected back in Brookings today.

Dr. C. P. Mason returned to his home at Klamath Falls Tuesday following a visit at the home of Mrs. Harry Lockland. Mrs. Mason will remain in town until her bulbs have been replanted.