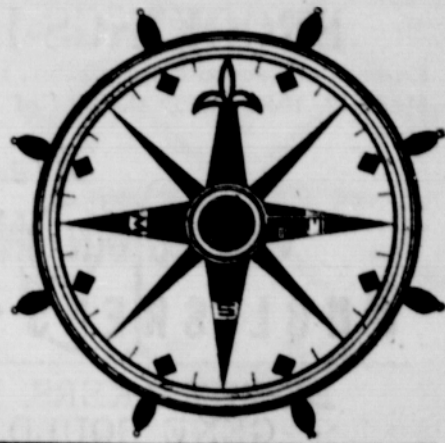


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Club Bills Pop Games and Dance, Friday

Eddie DesJardin and Band Features Dance After Game

With hope to give local baseball fans, as well as dancers, a treat, Chetco Rod & Gun has billed a double header football game and dance for high school gym, on Friday evening.

The curtain-raiser, the "Pis-Cleaners," the second string of the local gun club team, will play at Smith River, at 7:00 p. m. The boldt State Junior Varsity meet, in a return game, the "Trojans," in which promises a rousing exhibition of the sport.

Amazed by the large floor at Eureka, the local quintet met at Eureka a couple of days ago. Now, on a "normal" floor, they hope to revenge the stigma.

With the games over, Eddie DesJardin and his orchestra will play up for the dance, which will cap the evening's entertainment.

Each Art Guthrie will be in the Ramrod lineup, to put up the greatest possible serenity.

This is Eddie DesJardin's first appearance in this area at a pub-licance. He recently was pres-ent at the Rod & Gun Club par-ties which was a club affair.

Vincent Fountain Opening Delayed Another Week

Fountain Reported To Be Most Modern on Highway 101, Oregon

Will be hampered by failure of main materials and goods to arrive, opening of the Vincent Fountain and Gift Shop has been postponed another week, Ralph Vincent told the Pilot Tuesday, following arrival from Portland where he had been the past week in quest of goods.

However, Thursday of next week, if nothing more prevents, has been set as the tentative date of opening. This date will depend upon completion of the building detained for lack of materials.

This fountain, reputed to be one of the best anywhere in Oregon, along highway 101, has been attracting considerable attention from both local people as well as those traveling through.

The masquerade ball, given at Grange Hall by the Veterans Foreign Wars for benefit of ambulance fund, attracted a large crowd, Saturday evening. There were many and funny costumes. First prize for the best was won by a negro couple. Second went to George Stoller and Clarence Stoller. The prize waltz were danced by Mrs. MacKenzie.

"Will Benefits Justify Incorporation," Question For People To Decide Upon

The incorporation of Brookings is being discussed by the residents of this community. The proposition appears to reduce itself to the question: "Shall the benefits, to be derived from incorporation, justify the cost thereof?" In an attempt to bring this matter squarely before the citizens of Brookings, the following statement has been prepared:

PROPOSED CITY LIMITS.

The city limits are tentatively proposed as follows: Begin at a point on the Ocean, intersected by the south section line of Section 36 (south of Harris State Park) thence along the section line due east to the Chetco River, thence down the Chetco River to the Ocean, thence north along the Ocean shore line to the point of beginning. This area consists of a little more than a square mile.

ESTIMATED COST

A budget for the City of Brookings, for its first years, should not exceed \$7,500.00. Such an amount would be sufficient to employ two policemen; build additional fire hydrants and construct necessary street lights. With the exception of a small per diem expense for a recorder or clerk there should be no city salaries.

A city collects fines, many kinds of licenses, personal property taxes, franchise taxes, liquor taxes, and receives money from the state from gasoline taxes, etc. In a city the size of Brookings an aggregate of these various taxes should total at least \$5,000.00 per year. This should reduce the amount, necessary to be raised by real property taxes, to about \$2,500.00 per annum. Under present conditions the average home-owner of Brookings would pay about \$20.00 per year in city taxes.

WHAT THE MONEY BUYS

1. With the exception of amounts paid for equipment all of the money paid out of the city would remain in Brookings.
2. The city would have police protection, better fire equipment and street lights. As a result fire insurance premiums would be substantially reduced.
3. Zones would be created for residential, business and farming districts. This would preserve the present status between these groups and keep each in its appropriate place.
5. Brookings would cease to be a country cross-road and become a city.
6. The selling price of real estate would increase because real estate always brings a higher price in a city than in the country.
7. Business returns and wages are always greater in a city than in the country.
8. New business, new people, new capital and larger payrolls always appear in a community that gives notice that it is progressive, that is working to improve its conditions and which prepares for the future.
9. Civic pride would be created. Civic pride prompts people to good-will to work as a unit for better and happier living conditions for the community as a whole.

Therefore, let us discuss, among ourselves this proposition of incorporation. We shall not all agree but let us keep our disagreements free from personalities and politics. Give the other fellow the benefit of his opinion and the right to express it. Let us remain fair and just, approach the matter with open minds, and upon such a basis arrive at our conclusion.

Local News Items

The Rebekahs enjoyed a pinochle game Tuesday night. Refreshments of jello and whipped cream, home-made cookies and coffee were served. Prizes went to Mr. Leming and Mrs. Muchmore and low to Mr. and Mrs. Beaulieu, pinochle prizes were won by Earl Simpson and Agda Bickner. The door prize, a big heart-shaped box of chocolates, went to Mr. Gustafson, which also happened to be his birthday.

Ed F. Ackley Moved To New Office This Week

Attorney Ed F. Ackley, local lawyer, has moved from the Central Building, where he opened his office last September, to the Johnson Building, directly above the Hendricks Furniture Co. store.

In addition to the office, Mr. Ackley will maintain an apartment so he "may have a few of the comforts of home," he told the Pilot, Monday.

Pilot Will Be "Of Age" With Next Week's Issue

With next week's issue, the Brookings-Harbor Pilot "becomes of age," or as commonly known in newspaper field, a legal newspaper. This comes, in Oregon, after a newspaper has been published for 52 consecutive weeks.

Different state laws vary on "legality." Montana requires 18 months of publication, some of the states as much as two years.

Established March 7, 1946, the Pilot started with Volume One, Number One. Next week this will read, Volume One, Number Fifty-two.

Mr. Fixit Says 'It's Warm Here'

Brookings' noted weather has become topic of discussion in many places over the world. Even Mr. Fixit, whose daily column in the Oregon Journal answers everything, has been asked. The Friday Journal carried this:

Mr. Fixit: Is it true that the temperature of Brookings, Ore., never falls below 70 degrees or goes above 80 degrees? Mrs. Lula Tautfest, Milwaukie, Ore.

"I am told that the climate of Brookings is remarkably equable and shows little variation in temperature. The figures you quote are, however, rather high. The range would probably be from 40 to 60 degrees, usually hovering around 50. As this is written the temperature readings are 55 for the day and 50 degrees night temperature. It is said that Brookings has the least variation in temperature between winter and summer and between night and day of any spot in Oregon and in this respect it ranks with San Diego and Devonshire, Eng.

First Plea Made For Incorporation Of Brookings

Agitation For "City Charter" Given Lift In Letter To Pilot

Incorporation of Brookings, a question that has long been in the minds of people of this area, was given impetus this week by a letter, written to the Pilot by Attorney Ed F. Ackley, urging people to debate the question in their own minds of "Whether or not the benefits derived from incorporation justify the cost."

His plea, is printed on this page, and sets forth some of his arguments.

These columns are open for a frank discussion of this proposition, as Mr. Ackley suggests, and The Pilot will welcome letters either for or against this move.

The Pilot requests, however, that letters do not drag in any personalities, but to state the writer's beliefs, just as he may see them.

Scouts and Cubs Party Set For Next Monday Eve

Parents Invited To Boys Show "Wares" In Joint Meeting

To observe Boy Scout Week, and to acquaint parents of boys in both Boy Scouts and Cubs of the local area, a joint meeting of these two groups will be held next Monday evening at the Odd Fellows hall. The time is set for 7:00 o'clock.

While the finals plans are up to the scoutmaster and cubmaster, a tentative plan was made Tuesday evening when the scout committee met to set a date for observance of the birth of the scout movement.

Boys To Bring Parents

Each Scout or Cub is urged to attend and bring both his parents to this affair which is the date of the monthly pack meeting, and toward which the cubs have worked diligently.

Tentative Program Told

Scoutmaster Reginald Taylor and Cubmaster George Widney outlined the following program, subject to change:

1. Presentation of flag and pledge of allegiance by both cubs and scouts.
2. Opening ceremonies of each group, led off by the cubs.
3. Cubs' singing of den songs and repeating of law and promise of the cubs.
4. Stunt by the Cub dens.
5. Demonstration of some nature by the scouts, possibly will be life-saving.
6. Viewing of handiwork of boys of both of these groups.

Heart Attack Fatal To Mr. Bunnell

R. H. "Judge" Bunnell, who came to this area from Klamath Falls, and who was currently building a home next to the Hoagland property, overlooking the Chetco River, fell dead about 9:30 a. m. Wednesday morning from a heart attack.

According to Dr. A. O. Schmitt who was summoned, Mr. Bunnell was at the Rulla home, talking to Mr. Rulla in kitchen when death came. He was dead immediately.

While many details are lacking, it is reported that funeral arrangements are pending word from Mrs. Bunnell, still at Klamath Falls, and other relatives.

Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Metler and son of Klamath Falls were visitors for several days in this area. While here Mr. Metler received his Fellowcraft degree in Masonry.

Mrs. J. A. Roderick is at the Seaside Hospital, Crescent City for a physical check-up to determine need of surgery.

Since Saturday is a national holiday, Washington's Birthday, local postoffices will be open only at mail times.