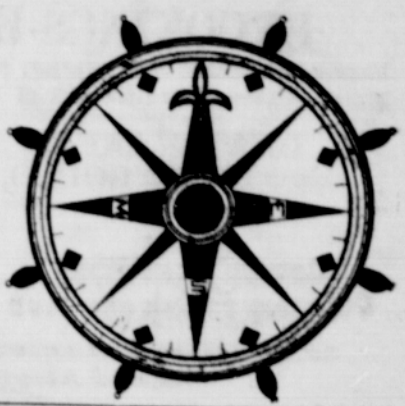




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BROOKINGS, CURRY COUNTY, OREGON

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Floats Exhibit Croft Lily

Activities End Azalea Park Water Dedication

Brother of Sydney N.* Croft Present For Lily Blossom Time

After dedication ceremonies, held at the Croft monument, south of Harbor, the observance of the "Lily Blossom Time in Brookings" was shifted to Azalea Park, where Lew Croft, brother of Sydney N. Croft, and a prominent hotelier of that city, and brother of Sydney Croft, was one of the principal speakers.

Women's Funds Roped By Dance

Members of the local volunteer firemen were well by \$104.62 at the dance held last Saturday at the Grange hall, when the G. F. furnished the music.

What Was Said About Parade

Comments heard about the area, concerning the first attempt of the area in staging a "Lily Blossom Week" are gati-fying indeed. A few are worth passing on to Pilot readers:

"Why couldn't Crescent City stage something like this?" was heard on the street while the parade was in progress. (The identity of the person will remain a mystery to this writer).

"It was out of this world," was Joe Gallagher's re-action. "It would have cost a half million dollars for Chicago to put on such a show. No, Chicago could not have done it. Only Brookings has the wherewithal to do such a job."

Fred Moore: "I had no idea—I was just floored—where did all of them come from?"

George Funk: Watch us next year—there would be roadway enough, nor will there be room along the road to put the people who will come to see the spectacle."

Cliff Brimm, who is now erecting a sawmill here: "Next Year I won't let Bankus walk away with any prizes unless he puts out plenty on his display."

A tourist who stopped at the Bus Depot: "We are from San Francisco. Honestly, we have never seen anything that could even start to compare."

Howard James: "Once we forgot boundary lines and really got together and put on a show. Why can't other community functions go as nicely?"

"We want to move here where we can always view such flowers and such climate," said a lady from South Carolina, who was in no particular hurry after she and her family had been halted by the parade. Instead of driving on to San Francisco Friday as they planned, they stopped, ate lunch here and did some sight-seeing the remainder of the 4th.

"It was most gratifying to me to see a united community and the results to behold from such co-operation," said Elmer Bankus. "If there could only be the same spirit among the growers when it comes to marketing—well"

Roy Sunderland, one of the committee to arrange for floats, was non-committal, perhaps because he was speechless at the size and beauty. He did, however, stop looking long enough to gasp: "Gosh!"

William F. Fisher, of Rivers End: "That will show the world what can be done here, and certainly the world will watch this area in years to come."

"There will never be any doubt in my mind but what this community can do anything it sets out to do, if they will pull this way," was all Thor Ask had to say Friday.

Floats Surprise Tourists Halted By Long Parade

Hundreds of Kodaks Record Beauty of Floral Displays, Fri.

Tourists, halted by formation of parade, Friday, did not resent the fact, as was evidenced when hundreds of kodaks appeared from cars to "catch" in pictures, some of the beauty which only a lily may provide.

Probably headed elsewhere on excursions, these tourists were from many states of the union. Parked on the side of the road coming into Brookings from the

Committee Is Grateful

Headed by George Funk, general chairman, the "Lily Blossom Week" committee wishes to public acknowledge all aid which went toward making the event the success it proved to be.

Mr. Funk also wishes to thank, individually and collectively, all the individuals, organizations and businesses who entered floats in the parade.

north were cars bearing license plates from Florida; New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Ohio, Kansas, Nebraska, Montana, Minnesota, South Carolina, besides many from California and Washington.

Apparently not irked by being stopped by state highway patrolmen, these tourists parked their cars, mingled with the parade while in formation, and asked questions of everyone with whom they came in contact. Many of these people, confessing ignorance of lilies, asked where they might buy bulbs for their own gardens.

Food Handlers Go To School

Food handlers classes which were held here late in June, were attended by restaurant workers from every establishment in the community and several from California.

Robert E. Click, director of food sanitation, Oregon State Board of Health, who was in charge of restaurant sanitation in Curry county, was in charge of the meeting which showed all good food handling practices.

Mr. Click expressed appreciation to restaurant operators for their co-operation in making it possible for food handlers to attend school. He also commended them for the improvement of restaurant facilities and prac-

Movie Feline Runs Out String

"Niggertoes Smith" cat of stage and screen fame for 17 years, who has been featured in Ripley's "Believe It or Not" ran our his string — and died last week at the home of his mistress, Mrs. A. E. White of Harbor, at the age of 24.

Part Persian, and bob, the cat had six toes on its "bear" paws, and was known as the "Cat of the Underworld" in motion pictures. Six years ago Mrs. White bought the unusual feline from Hollywood for retirement. "Niggertoes" has been buried beneath a rare tropical tree and a cremation will be performed later.

Danish Girls Tells About Her Nation

Miss Kirstine Damkjaer, now visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lindskoug, arrived in America only recently to visit relatives for several weeks. She reports that everything in Denmark is rationed, at least in part, including electricity. Clothes are difficult to obtain, so few ration stamps are issued for them. The childrens clothes is especially missed. Although Denmark is a dairy country, there is a shortage since most dairy products are sold to England. Such foods as bananas and citrus fruits are extremely rare, there.

During the past five years under German occupation Denmark's wealth was confiscated by the conquerors. Because of its high money standard, Sweden now will not accept Danish currency, nor Norwegian.

Miss Damkjaer remembers one night in Copenhagen, her home city, the Nazis took all Jews and put them on a ship which was later reported to have been sunk by the Germans. No definite word has ever been received about the fate of this group.

The visitor to America is impressed by its size and many mountains, and states she likes the people very much.

Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lindskoug have as guests this week Mr. Lindskoug's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Damkaer, David and Donald of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Damkaer's sister, Miss Kirstnie Damkjaer of Copenhagen, Denmark. The guests will go from here to Santa Ana, Calif., this week.

Classes were also held at Gold Beach and Port Orford.

Croft Memorial On Highway 101 Unveiled At Noon

Howard T. James Sec. Croft Lily Growers Association Spoke

Only unveiling of the stone memorial for Sydney N. Croft was held at the site, Friday, because of the resulting traffic situation, when Howard T. James, secretary of Croft Lily Growers Association, spoke.

"May we first extend to each of you a welcome to 'Lily Blossome Time in Brookings and Harbor.' Our program has been divided into two parts—the morning, which has been devoted to the beautiful floral parade which you have just witnessed, and the unveiling of this monument in memory of Sydney Croft, who had his early planting in this vicinity—and the last, at the Azalea State Park, where several speakers will be heard, as well as several musicians. There, too, will be games for the youngsters.

"We are gathered here today to pay homage to three good men, who contributed much to the propagation and culture of the world-famous Croft lily: David Griffiths, Louis S. Houghton and Sydney N. Croft.

"Because of them, we are here today. It is strange that this irony of fate, that those who gave birth to an idea, who originally conceived this plan, or who first made the discovery, seldom, if ever, received any financial reward. It is true in the case of these men."

To relieve the heavy traffic which was moving on the holiday, the dedication was cut short so that the parade might return to Azalea State Park.

Local News Items

Mrs. Emil Enna of Portland, celebrated pianist and voice instructor, was a visitor here last week.

Palmer (Bob) Lee, majoring in philosophy at Willamette University, and Dr. Raoul Bertran, who occupied the chair of philosophy at Willamette, visited Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tisdale, uncle and aunt of Mr. Lee, recently. Dr. Bertran will spend some months at Sorbonne in Paris soon, to receive rictorate.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Abbott of Klamath Falls have been visitors of his brother, T. S. Abbott, and family.

Mrs. W. H. Hibbard has been confined to her bed this week by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leibieg and son, Tony, of Burns are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith.