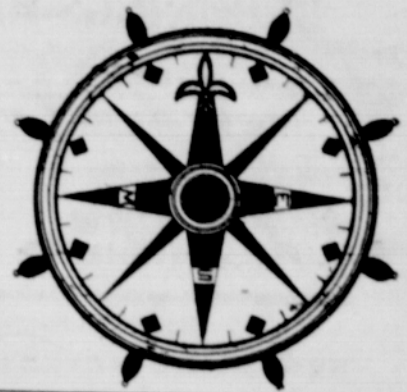


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BROOKINGS, CURRY COUNTY, OREGON

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1947

School Case Is Decided

U.S. Chapter, O. E. S., Makes Installation Plans

Plans are now complete for institution of the U.S. Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, to be held here November 1, according to members who have worked diligently for the past several months, preparing for the occasion. Institution of the chapter followed closely, that of Sydney Croft, A. F. & A. M. recently.

A banquet will be served by members of the Episcopal Guild at Odd Fellows hall, at 6:00 p. m. on November 1, preceeding the installation ceremonies, to be held at Harbor Grange, at eight o'clock.

Members of the order may make reservations for the banquet by contacting either Dorothy Templar, worthy matron, or Mrs. Weideman, associate matron for tickets.

Committees making arrangements for the event include: Reception — Lillian Weideman; Edith Low, Iris Kin-

and Decorations — Eileen chairman; Alice Rausch, Dickner, Mary Hanks, Rose and Jewell Gott.

Entertainments — Ethel Olsen, Grace Edwardson, Hascam.

Stability — Hazel Hendry, Goldie Smith, Helen Mina Christenson.

Trucks and Housing — Charles Templar, chairman; Charles and Sam Gott.

Power Off Twice During Past Week

Over the area the past few days have not been helpful in the electric power situation in the area. Wednesday, Oct. 22, a redwood tree fell across the road near Gasquet to darken the area for three hours.

Intermittent power failures during the remainder of the week, for any length of time, led up to the ordeal experienced Monday, when power was cut off at 5:40 a. m. until about 7:30 a. m. due to line trouble on the Smith River, through the woods, where, it was said, a tree was felled when a faulty insulator grounded the current. A tree was knocked into the river in another spot. The hit were restaurants of the area which depended largely on electric power and the Pilot, community electric. The publication was halted last Wednesday for several hours, and Monday of this week the shop was dark.

Bankus and Mrs. Milburn were business visitors in Brookings Tuesday afternoon.

A. E. Sandbo Was Re-elected, Board

At the annual election of Coos-Curry Electric Co-operative, at Coquille last Friday and Saturday, A. E. Sandbo was named director for Zone 1, comprising the Brookings-Harbor area, and others named, were:

Zone 2—Bob Elliott, Gold Beach
Zone 3—Fred Adams, Ophir
Zone 4—Frank Shaw, Port Orford.

Zone 5—Elmer Gant, Bandon.
Zone 6—Dave Philpott, Bul-lards.

Zone 7—Albert Powers, Gay-lord.

Zone 8—Ivan Laird, Sitkum.
Zone 9—Bert Jennings, Remote.

According to Bruce Shavere, manager, and George Bishell, assistant, who were in this area, Monday, construction is going ahead as rapidly as the crew allowed by REA, permits. Together with Tom Sawyer, REA representative, also here Monday, the group met with the City Council at Gold Beach Monday evening.

Open House Set By New Bakery

Tuesday, October 28, from 2 to 8 p. m. has been the long-awaited time set for open house at the Williamson Bakery.

Mrs. Williamson and her son, Bob, wished to hold this event some time ago, but were delayed because all the glass for the show cases had not come, and they did not wish the public to see anything but the completed bakery and business. Refreshments will be served.

Laying Plans For Lily Blossom Week

In order to have finances to carry on the 1948 Lily Blossom Week in Brookings, Tuesday evening Croft Lily Growers Association voted to stage a series of entertainments, beginning Nov. 6, when a box social will be enjoyed at the grange hall. Further details will be announced later.

October Rainfall Tops 11 Inches

The first 19 days of October have been wet ones for this section of the Oregon coast, with 11.56 inches of rain falling, according to report made by Paul Whirry, local weather observer for the weather bureau. The rain, thus far in October, by days:

October 1	.00
October 2	.10
October 3	.00
October 4	.00
October 5	.00
October 6	.00
October 7	.40
October 8	.91
October 9	3.27
October 10	.67
October 11	.10
October 12	.00
October 13	.02
October 14	.20
October 15	4.41
October 16	.27
October 17	.52
October 18	.30
October 19	.37
Total for October	11.56

A comparison with the past year has been promised for next week by Mr. Whirry, with next week's report.

Howard James, Herbert Payne, George Funk, Mrs. W. L. McVay and Lynn Hampton attended the meeting of Curry County rural board last Monday evening. Mr. Wilcox, of the state department of education, explained the new law, and representatives of the various school boards in the county were given opportunity to present their needs to the rural board.

Tax Commission Opinion Favors School District 17

A decision, much in favor of School District No. 17, was handed down by Oregon State Tax Commission, last Thursday in answer to a petition to that body concerning the third school budget election, held September 26. The contents:

State Of Oregon STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Second Review of the Budget and Tax Levy of School District No. 17, Curry County Oregon, for the Fiscal Year, ending June 30, 1947.

Opinion and Order

This matter comes before the State Tax Commission on the statement in writing of more than ten interested taxpayers of School District No. 17 in Curry County, Oregon, pursuant to the provisions of Section 110-1213, O. C. L. A., requesting that the State Tax Commission order the Curry County Assessor not to extend on the assessment and tax rolls the levy for the budget adopted by the school board at its meeting September 25 and authorized as to the excess thereof beyond the six per cent constitutional limitation by a majority vote of the taxpayers of the district at an election held September 26.

Hearing At Salem, Oct. 10

Hearing hold on the matter

Chetco District Passes Eighth Season Without Forest Fire Of Any Nature

The Chetco District of the Siskiyou National Forest has gone through its eighth consecutive fire season without having a fire, according to word received by the Pilot, from Ranger John Porisch, of the Gold Beach office.

Mr. Porisch, in his letter to the Pilot, wishes to extend a well-deserved "thank you," for himself and his fire crew, to the people of Curry county for their excellent co-operation in the prevention of forest fires. Few, if any, communities can boast of a better record than the local one.

It shows that loggers, ranchers, miners, hunters, fishermen, recreationists, tourists, and other users of the forests have been reasonably careful when using fire in the woods.

It means that the thousands of dollars of taxpayers money which would otherwise have been expended in putting out fires have been saved; that merchantable stands of timber which are steadily increasing in value have been saved; and that areas previously burned over are permitted slowly but surely to re-produce to stands of merchantable timber for the future of this area and county.

was held before the State Tax Commission at its offices at Salem, Oregon, October 10, 1947. Present were several petitioners, representatives of the school board, Lester Wilcox, assistant to the state superintendent of public instruction and members of the State Tax Commission.

An understanding of the question involved in the consideration of the petition requires a knowledge of the events preceeding the preparation of the budget under review, and for this purpose a summary of said events is here included.

It appears that on June 16 a meeting was held for the purpose of discussing the budget of the school district and to authorize a tax to produce the amount of \$23,847.51 in excess of the six per cent limitation as set forth in Section 11 of Article XI of the Oregon Constitution. By a vote of 87 opposed and 54 in favor, authorization for such levy was refused. Subsequently a second budget for the school district was prepared and notice was duly published of a meeting to discuss said budget and to vote upon the question of authorizing a levy to raise the amount of \$35,719.92 in excess of the six per cent constitutional limitation. At this meeting held on July 17, the taxpayers by a vote of 107 to 89 authorized the levy.

Second Budget Voided

Thereafter a petition was filed with the State Tax Commission asking that said budget be voided on the ground that it was not prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Budget Law. After investigation of the facts, the commission by its opinion and order dated 15th day of August, 1947, ordered that the assessor of Curry County, Oregon, not extend the tax levy approved July 17, and further ordered said assessor make a reasonable extension of time for filing of the notice of a tax levy of School District No 17, lawfully prepared.

Following this commission's opinion and order of August 15, a third budget was prepared for the school district and notice was duly published calling for a hearing to discuss said budget to be held on September 25. Said budget calling for a levy in excess of the six per cent limitation.

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